

Levy gets mandate for Washington talks

By JAY BUSHINSKY

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Armed with a mandate to negotiate the hasis for final-status talks with the Palestinians. Foreign Minister David Levy is preparing to leave for Washington, where a crucial meeting with the Palestinian Authority deputy leader Mahmoud Ahhas is to take place on Monday.

The session, to be chaired hy Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, is a direct outcome of her recent meetings here. But PA Chairman Yasser Arafat poured cold water on the US-

The meeting in Washingtoo will be simply for the sake of meeting," he said. "No more, no less." As quoted by Reuters, Arafat told reporters io Ramallah, "it will be a waste of time." Levy has cleared his schedule to make way for a final round of deliberations with his senior staff before leaving for the US either tonight or Saturday night. Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and his key cahinet colleagues spent seven hours yesterday working out the parameters of Levy's mission. The dis-

cussions with Albright and Ahhas are

sponsored conclave.

expected to span two or three days at least and focus on the next IDF pullhack in the West Bank and "time out" in Israeli settlement activity, as proposed hy Albright.

Immediately after the policy-making session, Levy was on the telephone with US peace envoy Dennis Ross informing him of the cahinet's decision and hearing him express his total satisfaction.

Without going into any of the particu-lars, Levy said he was pleased by the cahinet's decision to authorize him to negotiate with Abbas and regarded it as a hasis to advance the peace process.

"Since the second pullback and time pragmatist" who wants to move the peace process forward. However, he out in settlements are topics for the agenda, I am leaving with authority and stressed that there will be constant coorprerogative," he said. "The governdination betweeo Levy and Netanyahu ment's stand is crystallized and acceptthroughout the Washington talks. ed by all of its members. I definitely see expects the other participants in the

it as the basis I wanted." Levy went on to say that Israel is committed to the Oslo Accords, hut also has demands of the other side. He said that he intends to strengthen understanding and confidence with the US and the Palestinians at the Washington talks.

One of his senior aides said Levy is "a clear mandate, according to the Associated Press.

"Negotiations for the sake of negotia-tions only help to protect Netanyahu and provide a shield for him not in implement the agreements," he report-edly said. "We will oot let him get away with it." The Foreign Ministry aide con-tended that the notion that Levy might go to Washington without a clear-cut mandate was "nonsense." However, Arafat reportedly said he doubted Levy had a mandate from the Israeli government to meet Palestinian demands.

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Clinton, Jiang agree to nuclear pact

WASHINGTON (AP) -President Bill Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin agreed yesterday to a major nuclear pact aimed at halting the spread of weapons in the Persian Gulf region. The agreement fol-

US firms big summit winners, Page 10



Chinese President Jiang Zemin and US President Bill Clinton stand at attention during the playing of national anthems at yester-

Budget passes 1st reading

By JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

A cabinet communique said Israel

Washington talks "to make every effort

to advance the process." Senior Palestinian negotiator Saeh Erekat

implied at a West Bank news confer-

ence that Palestinian participation is not

assured. He said their attendance hinges

on the Israeli ocgotiators arriving with a

The Knesset late last night parsed the first reading of the NIS 307.4 billion 1998 budget by a vote of 48-44. In his speech to the plenum, Finance Minister Yaakov Neeman said that he is opeo to adjusting the budget prior to its second and third readings.

The framework of the budget will remain, [but] the Treasury and I will be open to hearing alterna-

new immigrants will be discussed prior to the second reading. Throughout the day, the NRP said it was not content with the. compromises Neeman offered. However, toward midnight, it decided to support the budget, saying it had secured a commitment to renegotiate the religious, social, and education hudgets.

The NRP plans to ask for increased child allowances, increased mongage packages for

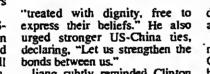
lowed a warm welcome for Jiang at the White House and a gentle reminder from Clinton on human rights.

Clinton will certify that China is not exporting nuclear technology to nations for weapons development, particularly Iran and Pakistan, a senior administration official said as the two leaders met.

They would allow a 1985 US-Chioa Nuclear Cooperation Agreement to go into effect and the US nuclear industry to sell reactors and technology in China, a deal worth billions of dollars.

'We're satisfied that we have the assurances that we need to have that China is not engaging and will not engage in assistance to states developing nuclear weapons," the official said.

On a crisp autumn morning, Clinton opened his meeting with



day's White House welcoming ceremony.

Jiang subtly reminded Clinton about China's insistence that the US should not impinge on Beijing's sovereignty.

"I hope that the development of China-US relations will positively promote mutual respect, peaceful coexistence, and common development of all countries in the world, different in history, cul-Jiang hy saying all people must be ture, social system, and level of a

an interpreter.

But he, too, sounded an upbeat note in English: "Let us, the Chioese and the Americans, join hands and together with people around the world work hard to bring about a new century of peace, stability, and prosperity." Neither leader meotioned Tiananmen Square hy name, the 1989 massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators by the Chinese military that sent the US-China relationship into a tailspin and caused diplomatic estrangement.

development." Jiang said through Jiang's state visit is the first by a Chinese leader in 12 years. Instead, Clinton couched deep

differences on human rights, the environment, and national security in the diplomatic language of hope.

"Both our countries can best advance our interests and our values hy working together rather than standing apart," he said, struggling with a hoarse voice. "For together we can lay the groundwork for a better, safer world where peace prevails, prosperity grows ... where people are

treated with dignity, free to express their beliefs and observe their faiths."

As Jiang made his way to the red carpet oo the South Lawn, human rights protesters, kept far away hy a fence, raised their voices, hut were drowned out hy ceremonies that included a 21-gun salute, full military color guard, and hand playing both nations' anthems. Demonstrators objected to China's homan rights record, jailing of dissenters, and religious persecution in Tihet and elsewhere.

As ties between Beduin in the

In addition, the Beduin are

becoming closer to Arabs in the

areas under Palestinian Authority

the same time, many Beduin men

are marrying Palestinian women,

thereby strengthening nes and loy-

The report says the Beduin pop-

ulation is increasing by 4.6 per-cent annually, with some 60 per-

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After all-day marathon meetings, Neeman kept his word to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu that he would succeed in convincing the coalition parties to vote for the budget without having to make any substantive compromises The difficulty in this was made

clear in a telephone conversation between the two quoted hy Channel I. Neeman asked Netanyahu: "Bibi, stand behind me. With you behind me, they'll show up for the vote. They're crazy. You've given them so much, Bibi, believe me. They'll give in. They'll give in, if we remain firm... If you give to one, they'll all want. United Torah Judaism wants NIS 200 million ... Don't give in to them... Let me

handle it.' Until late last night, the National Religious Party and Yisrael Ba'aliya remained firm in their decision to vote against the budget. However, Neeman convinced them to vote for it in exchange for his discussing their concerns prior to the second and third readings to November and December.

"We were convinced that they understood our demands and that they are ready to fix the problems for the second and third readings," said MK Roman Bronfman (Yisrael Ba'aliya). Bronfman said that his party had received a promise from Neeman that its requests for increased mortgage benefits and housing subsidies for

Judea and Samaria, and more funding for hesder yeshivot.

While the opposition accused him of last-minute deal-making, Neeman insisted that he did not make any promises. "There is no prearranged agreement, not one that I made and not one that was made behind my back," Neeman said.

Earlier in the day, United Torah Judaism, Shas, and two of the five Gesher MKs, who had previously opposed the hudget, declared their support. Shas's Yitzhak Cohen said that his party received a promise from Neeman to renegotiate child benefits, a longer school day, and more money for the weaker segments of society.

Gesher's Michael Kleiner and David Magen voted for the hud-get, while Maxim Levy and Yehuda Lankri voted agaiost. Foreign Minister David Levy was not in attendance, since any minister who votes against the hudget must resign.

Labor and Social Affairs Minister Eli Yishai (Shas), who had takeo a hard-line stance against the hudget, is on vacation in the US.

The budget includes NIS 2.3h. in cuts, including NIS 400m. from the defense package and NIS 250m. from education.

Thirty-two percent of the budget is designated for repaying loans, 28.5% to transfer payments and social benefits, 17.6% to defeose, 15.2% to civil expenses, and 6.4% for investments and credit.

US stocks mixed; **TASE** rebounds

Stocks ended slightly mixed yes-terday, as Wall Street paused to history on the back of Monday's record 554-point plunge. catch its breath after two days of In the broader market, advancing record volatility stemming from issues led declines 19-10 on heavy

Markets up worldwide, Page 12

the Asian economic crisis. Federal Chairman Alan Reserve Greenspan calmed the market's worries about Asia. Based on early and unofficial

The report recommends the authorioes settle nomadic Beduin results, the Dow Jones industrial average was up 8.35 points at 7,506.67, after soaring 337 points in permanent housing and work in reduce the influence of Palestinians on the community. Tuesday to its largest point gain in

the New York Stock Exchange. The Nasdaq composite index slipped 0.05 of a point at 1,602.97. Meanwhile, Israeli shares jumped yesterday after Wall Street rebounded. Tel Aviv's rise comes a day after Israeli stocks posted their worst showing in more than three years, following worldwide equity index declines. The Maof Index

advanced 7.4 percent to 295.86. The Mishtanim Index gained 8 percent to 286.88. The Tel Aviv Continuous Trading Index rose 10.52 percent to 98.27.

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Katsav apologizes to Kafr Kasim -41 years later

By HERB KEINON

Forty-one years after border policemen killed 49 Kafr Kasim villagers in a massacre that has long strained relations between Istaeli Arabs and Jews, Tourism Minister Moshe Katsav went to the village yesterday with an apology. "I came here to identify with the victims, show them bonor, say the victims were innocent, express our sorrow, and say that the victims deserve our apology." Katsav said in a hall decorated with black flags and harrowing paintings portraying the massacre.

Minutes after uttering these words - words that have eluded official government representatives for four decades - Katsav left the packed hall and was met by boos, catcalls, and the chant "Butchers



go home." (The word "katsav" means butcher.)

Abdullah Nimr Darwish, the head of the Islamic Movement and a resident of Kafr Kasim, praised Katsav for coming, but said his apology did not go far enough. "This expression of sorrow was not so strong, but it is the first step," he said. "We waited for it for 41 years. The first step has come, now we are hoping for others."

On October 29, 1956, the day the Sinai Campaign began, the IDF clamped a curfew on a number of Arah villages along what was then the Iordanian border. Late that afternoon, dozens of Kafr Kasim villagers returned home from working in the fields, apparently unaware of the curfew. They were shot and killed. Two officers and six soldiers responsible were tried and given stiff prison sentences, which were commuted three years

later. Darwish said that every year Kafr Kasim holds a memorial service on the anniversary of the massacre, and each year invites a government representative. This is the first line anyone agreed in come.

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Report: Tensions with Beduin near danger level

oon and violent confrontations

By STEVE RODAN

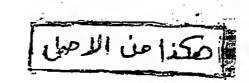
Relations between the authorities and the country's 150,000 Beduin, impacted by Islam and Palestinian nationalism, represent "a ome bomh" that could result in a violent confrontation that would sweep across the Negev, a report hy one of the security services says.

The report predicts irredentism as well as the adoption of terrorism hy an increasing portion of the rapidly growing Beduin community. Earlier in the week, Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan was criticized by the Beduin community for making similar comments.

The processes of Palestinian nationalism, Islamization among the Beduin, and the continuation of the current des with the State of Israel means unavoidable clashes in the future between the police and the Beduin community, which is becoming increasingly involved in criminality and terrorism that feed on each other." the report states. It warns the trend of a rapidly

growing hostile Beduin community is dangerous for Israel, because many live along the 1967 borders just minutes away from their Palestinian relatives.

Several leading tribes serve as models for the community's hos-



with the anthorities when they try Negev and those in the Galilee and Triangle increase, so the Beduin to prevent it. At the same time, unemployare also becoming closer to other ment among the Beduin is leading Arabs in Israel. This is particularmore of them toward crime, some ly true of the Islamic movement, of which is directed against the state for nationalistic reasons, the

report says. There is a creeping erosion of the image of the authorities in the eyes of the Beduin population," the report states. "This process has caused self-confidence, a tendency to disregard authority and to move toward radicalism."

The report notes the Beduin are control. Many Beduin in the northern Negev live within min-utes of Palestinians in Hebron. At quickly shedding their traditional tribal structure, which ensured them economic protection, and are becoming urbanized; with the result being a clash between the modern and the traditional elements of the community. Tribal elders are losing their authority, while young Beduin are no longer interested in serving the community.

Instead, many are adopting Islam and Palestinian nationalism. "Alignment with the Palestinian nation or a return to original Islamic roots are available anchors for the hovering Beduin, who sev-

ers himself from traditional and

which is capitalizing on the poverty of the Beduin, whose unemployment rate is estimated at 20%. "These elemeots are fishing in troubled waters and are pushing the Beduin population on a path of confrontation with the authori-

ties," the report says.

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in brief

High school pupils on strike today

Tenth-, 11th-, and 12th-grade pupils will stay home from classes today as part of an ongoing action to protest the cancellation of school trips, outings, and events intended to prepare them for the army. Oded Cohen, head of the National Youth and Student Council, said last night that the strike would continue tomorrow, but only include the 10th- and 11th- graders. On Sunday, the strike will be by geographic area, with pupils from a different part of the country staying out of school each day. Cohen also said that the pupils are weighing taking legal action to fight the trips cancellations. The trips have been cancelled because the Secondary Schools Teachers Association refuses to allow its teachers to accompany them until an agreement regarding payment is honored by the Education Ministry. Aryeh Dean Cohen

Palestinians stone IDF troops in Gaza Strip

A crowd of approximately 200 Palestinians' stoned IDF troops in the Gaza Strip yesterday afternoon. The troops dispersed the rioters with rubber bullets and tear gas. Palestinian police also intervened to stop the rioters. Some of the Palestinians were reportedly injured. The clashes started as an illegal dwelling was being demolished. The building had been erected where a fence divides Gush Katif from the Gaza Strip. Margot Dudkevitch

Third Way MKs discuss national unity with PM

Third Way MKs met with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu last night - in the middle of the budget discussions - to talk about their demand for a national unity government. According to the MKs, the prime minister was particularly interested in hearing the results of meetings they had held with the Labor Party on the subject.

The Third Way MKs said they would continue with their contacts between the opposition and coalition and will meet with the prime minister again next week on the subject.

Asked how he could sit in a government with Labor leader Ebud Barak, who does not oppose territorial concessions on the Golan, Third Way head Avigdor Kahalani said those opposed to yielding the Golan would have the power to block such a move. Liat Collins

Jaywalker killed by bus in Ashdod

An Asbdod high school senior, Haim Spashvilli, 17, was struck and killed by a bus in front of his family yesterday as he ran across the middle of a street npposite their home. Family members and neighbors saw the accident occur and summoned an ambulance, but he died before it arrived. Police said the youth was responsible for bis nwn death.

In another accident, the driver of a car, 50, was critically injured when be lost control and crashed into a wall near Be'er Ya'acov. Itim

Religious argument in Brooklyn ends in stabbing

An argument about Torah ended when one man pounced on another at a Brooklyn synagogue and stabbed him a dozen times while screaming, "Do you love the Torah?"

David Fligelman, 40, was stabbed by an unidentified man during a class Monday night at the Sephardic Jewish Center of Mill Basin, New York. The assailant has not been apprehended, police said yesterday. The men argued about who knew more about the Torah.

"The suspect asked the victim, 'Do you love the Torah?" police told the New York Daily News. "He then pulled out a knife and proceeded to stab him." Marilyn Henry

3rd Ben-Yehuda bomber identified

Bir Zeit University, the army said.

By ARIEH O'SULLIVAN and news agencies

The General Security Service, aided by the IDF and the biology department of the Institute for Forensic Medicine at Abu Kabir, has succeeded in identifying the third suicide bomber in the July attack in Jerusalem's Rehov Ben-

Yehuda pedestrian mall. According to the IDF, he was Khalil Ibrahim Tawfik Sharif, 24, a

Positive identification was made possible, the army said, following Hamas activist who was wanted for a request by the GSS to the involvement in the drive-by shoot-Palestinian Authority to allow the ing death of yeshiva student David parents of the suspected bomber to Boim near Beit El in May 1996. Following the shooting. Sharif fled submit to DNA testing. The tests were brought to the institute, to Nablus, his homelown. He had where the remains of the bomber been a business student and mem-

ber of the Hamas student council at had been transferred. Relatives of Sharif said he had been a supporter of Fatah, but had switched allegiance to Hamas about 18 months ago. An uncle told AP that Sharif was one of eight children and that the family had become extremely poor after his father, a moneychanger, was jailed and had his funds confiscated for

trying to change money in Tel Aviv. The relative said that Sharif's family had appealed to the governor of Nablus to help get the remains of his body back for burial.

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Israel last month identified the four other suicide bombers who blew themselves up in the Mahaneh Yehuda and Ben-Yehuda attacks.

Tourism Minister Moshe Katsav lays a wreath yesterday at the annual memorial ceremony in Kafr Kasim, where border policemen massacred 49 villagers in 1956. Katsav apologized on behalf of the state for the first time, to a mixed reception. (Ilen Osendryver/Israel Sun)

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Judging by the reception Katsav received, it could also be the last time for quite a while.

"We knew there would be protests," said an aide to Katsav who helped plan the visit, "but we didn't expect anything like this. Had we known of this in advance, we still would have come, but we would have made the visit less visible." As it was, the visit was extreme-

ly visible. A stone-faced Katsey, the minis-

ter in charge of israeli Arab affairs, was met at the memorial to

grisly testimony of the massacre the victims in the middle of town given to the military court at the by local cnuncil head Ibrahim Sarsour and Arab Democratic Party MK Abdul Malik time.

Sarsour called upon the government to nfficially recognize the state's responsibility for the massacre, open up a committee of inquiry to uncover all the facts, and return some 1,500 dunams (375 acres) of land he said was confiscated from the village and given to neighboring Rosh Ha'ayin three years after the mas-

sacre. The next speaker, Taiba Mayor Rafik Haj Yihye, said that just as Jews deserve compensation from Germany, so too do the families of the Kafr Kasim victims deserve compensation from Israel.

This was the first thing Katsav addressed when he took the podium: "Let us not make comparisons between the tragedy here and the acts of horror perpetuated by the Nazis during World War II," he

His 15 minute address was interrupted three times by individuals in the packed audience, which included both sarvivors of the massacre and relatives of victims, "The order to shoot at innocents,

in Kafr Kasim was illegal,". Katsav continued. "That was said," then, and we are saying it clearly now. The soldiers then should have refused the order to shoot innocent citizens, even while the country was in a state of war."

Shuhada Street opens quietly in Hebron

By MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

The Hebron Jewish community conducted morning prayers outside Beit Hadassah yesterday to protest the partial opening of Shuhada Street to Palestinian traffic. The group of some 250 settlers held banners reading: "Nn entry to terrorists," and "Keep the enemy out."

In the expectation of violent clashes, security forces in the city were beefed up. Judea and Samaria Police spokesman Ofer Sivan said 255 police had been sent to the city. "Our job is to make sure the road remains open," he said.

But the day passed mietly. The only cars to use the newly opened section appeared to be those belonging to the police and IDF - and the settlers. Vehicles belonging to the International Observers (TIPH) patrolled the road frequently, their flags flying in the breeze.

By early afternoon, soldiers and police were napping in the back seats of their cars and vans that were parked on each side of Shuhada Street. Groups of police rubbed their eyes, some sat sprawled on the sidewalk their backs leaning against the walls of the buildings. Every now and then groups of soldiers and police walked toward the market, returning with plastic bags full of cold drinks and snacks.

As school finished Palestinian children spilled into the empty road, Outside the Pedesco gas station, groups of journalists and photographers sat on the curbside, smoking cigarettes and talking. By midafternoon, they packed up their equipment and left.

Enjoying the one-day strike called by the Jewish community, a group of young Jews had earlier attempted to enter the market area. bolding banners protesting the road opening. Border policemen and IDF troops prevented this. In the scuffle that ensued, one of the youths was detained.

"Nn one told us the road would be opened, we heard it on the news," said Muffid Sharban, 32, who lives

PLC calls on PA to boycott Doha eco conference

Dahamshe. As protesters chanted,

Katsay laid a wreath on the memo-

Apparently wanting to under-score his visit, Katsav then walked

a half a kilometer through the

streets - followed by the protesters

- to the hall. Black flags flew from

puies throughout the city. Inside

the ball was a sign that read: "Only acknowledgmen1 of the

massacre will ensure that it won't

Sarsour was the first of the

speakers. After praising Katsav for his courage in coming, he read

happen again."

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to hospital, released

Arafat taken

By STEVE RODAN and HOHAMMED NAME

Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat was taken to a Ramaliah bospital after be felt faint from what Palestinian sources said was a recurring ailment.

Several of Arafat's aides quickly left the Palestinian Legislative Council meeting in Ramallah yesterday and burried to the bospital.

Arafat spent several hours in the bospital and was released. The sources said they could not identify the ailment.

Arafat spokesman Marwan Kanafani denied that Arafat needed hospitalization, saying he went for a routine check-up. He said Arafat is in good health and is performing his regular duties.

Palestinian sources and Western diplomats have reported that Arafat appears to be in failing health.

They say he often trembles and appears unaware of his whereabouts

The sources said Arafat works an average of 14-16 hours a day, usually until 3 a.m.

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Our beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother

LIENA (Lien) **VLEESCHHOUWER-**HILLESUM

has passed away peacefully, in her sleep.

The funeral was held at Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem, Tuesday night, October 28, 1997 (Tishri 28, 5758).

Shiva at the home of Yoseef Vleeschhouwer. 105 Uziel Street Jerusalem 96431, Israel Prayers at 6:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m., Tel. 02-641-5144, Fax. 02-642-4068. Visits: 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 4:30 - 9:30 p.m. but Monday afternoon, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. at the Dutch Parents' Home. Beth Juliana, 22 David Raziel Street, Herzliva.

> Yoseef and Ruth Vieeschhouwer, Jerusalem Shiomo and Miryam Vieeschhouwer, Viaardingen, Holland Riwka and R. Jehuda Levisson, Tifrach Elisiewa and Pesach Yerucham Ba-Gad, Nechaliem Jehudith and Dr. Phil Zack, Richmond, Vancouver, Canada Grandchildren and great-grandchildren

By STEVE RODAN

By HILLEL KUTTLER

Ambassador Eliahu Ben-Elissar

has informed US Senator Dianne

Feinstein that TAAS-Israel

Industries will not export modi-

fied Uzi and Galil submachine

guns to the US for at least three

The decision culminates nearly

two months of discussions

between the two arising from

Feinstein's concern that the

weapons would lead to many

Feinstein called the decision a

"tentative step forward." She said

she does not believe that "any rea-

sonable person could view these

deaths on America's streets.

WASHINGTON

months.

Kanafani and Hakim Balawi. Marwan Barghouti, head of the The Palestinian Legislative Council vnted yesterday for a resolution recommending that the Palestinian Authority boycott the Middle East economic conference

in Qatar next month. Only two members among more

TAAS delays export of

Uzis, Galils to US

country

Israeli

Fatah executive conacil and PLC member, said, "It's a recommendation, not a decision." Saeb Erekat said he opposed the vote since many PLC members, like himself, serve in the PA either

than 50 voted against the resolution. as negotiators or officials involved

weapons as particularly suitable

for, or readily acceptable in, sport-

ing purposes. Therefore, they

should not be allowed into his

"As I have told the representa-

tives from Israel. I have no doubt

that it is only a matter of time

before these weapons fall into the

bands of criminals - whether

they be drive-by shooters, gangs,

drug traffickers, or grievance

killers - and American citizens

pay with their lives," Feinstein

Israel had been concerned at

being singled out by Feinstein's

complaint, but Feinstein said in a

Bulgaria, Russia, Greece, Egypt,

Poland, and Romania to desist

from sales by their state-run com-

panies, even though they, too, bad

been issued US permits to export

Prime Minister Binyamin

Netanyahu's communications

director, David Bar-Illan, told a

B'nai B'rith audience here that he

is puzzled wby Feinstein bas made

an issue of the weapons sale, but

said Israel is willing to accommo-

"I don't quite understand what

they want from us. There are rules made by the US government,

which we met, and now we are

being criticized for sending these

weapons anyway," Bar-Illan said. "And I think it has more to do with

the fact that some policeman was

killed by an Uzi, and those who

manufacture the Uzis are being

"[They] are sold only according

to specifications made by the

"Anyway, if we feel for some

reason it irritates some senators

here and the public in general, we

blamed for it.

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won't sell these Uzis."

date American sensitivities.

their weapons here.

statement that she had also pressed

They were Arafat aides Marwan

in forming Palestinian positions. Some PLC members said they apposed any further Arab normalization or Palestinian uegotiation with Israel. The PLC Political Committee, chaired by Abbas Zaki from Hebron, recommended that the PA and PLO review the peace process with Israel, intensify efforts for Palestinian unity, and

fight official comption. Salah Taamari, a PLC member from Bethlehem, agreed. "What's the importance of a port [now being negotiated with Israel] when there is no halt in settlements?" he asked. The legislative session was rowdy as PLC Chairman Ahmed Qurie tried to stop members from speaking past their allotted time.

Russia makes its move

for regional comeback

"Stop already," Qurie shonted. "Do you think this is a Friday ser-mon in a mosque?" be told Suleiman Gbumi, a sheik wearing a turban, as he ranted against Israel and the US. He looked np from his prepared speech and glanced toward the televisinn cameras. "This is for history." he said before continuing his speech.

opposite Bert Hadassah. Asked if he would drive down the road later, Sharbati shrugged his shoulders and said, "I'll try, but already the soldiers have stopped some drivers from passing through."

At that moment, a taxi driver was stopped by soldiers, who asked him for identity papers and to open his trunk. As he got out of his car, he shouted at a soldier, "Do what you want, take the car apart if you like." He then shouted: "An officer at the other end told me I could pass." As the driver stood waving his arms about, the soldier told him to con-

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Arafat also accused Israel of spreading rumors he was ill, a charge denied by Netanyahu's spokesman, Shai Bazak. "I'm not in a situation to answer to silly Israeli propaganda and rumors," be reportedly said. Asked if his health is good,

Arafat said: "As yon can see, yes. This is not the first time they spread such rumors.

Bazak said Israel was not spreading any rumors about Arafat's health. "I hope be's healthy and I wish him health," be said.

Hillel Kuttler adds from Washington:

Netanyahu's communications director, David Bar-Illan, implicitly criticized the administration's prodding of Israel to send Levy here for the next round of talks with the Palestinians. Bar-Illan told a gathering of B'nai B'nith that a delay is quite defensible given that the Palestinians "boycotted the talks ... If we take a week, to argue exactly what the authority of our chief negotiator to the talks is and what the red lines which he cannot cross are, I don't think anybody should begrudge us that, because it is a vital matter for us."

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov's

reported lapses into diplomatic sensationalism is Moscow's abiding interest in keeping a lid on all of the Middle East's simmering conflicts. This is why he tipped off King

Behind

Hussein about Israel's alleged intention to mount "a large-scale" military operation against Hizbullah in southern Lebanor.

Russia's overriding interest is regional stability as it works to nurture the sphere of influence created by its predecessor, the Soviet Union.

His headline-catching disclosure to Hussein that "Israel's military are pressing, for such an operation" was coupled with demands that "all sides work closely to find solutions to the explosive and very dangerous situation in southern Lebanon." Fnreign Ministry spokesman Aviv Shir-On said be "knew nothing" about this. Acting like a diplomatic ice-

breaker throughout his Middle Eastern swing. Primakov offered in join the multi-national commission monitoring the Operation. Grapes of Wrath cease fire. He seeded speculation about Russian troops helping patrol the security zone after Israel's projected withdrawal and inspired queries about a Russian peace envoy alongside the US's Dennis Ross and the EU's Miguel Moratinos.

Were it not for President Hafez Assad's inscrutable nature Primakov's success or failure in reactivating the Israeli-Syrian negotiating track would have been apparent by now,

The Russian diplomat's snap decision to fly back to Damascus contrary, informed sources believe the Yeltsin government saw an was triggered by word from Foreign Minister David Levy that opportunity to increase Russian influence with Prime Minister

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Binyamin Netanyahu, Moscow's assessment was that" under Netanyahu Israel would be less submissive to American policy objectives in the region than it was under Labor.

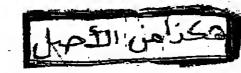
Besides, its chances of developing a fruitful diplomatic dialogue with Jerusalem improved once the controversy over Jewish emigratinn nn longer aggravated the bilateral relationship. This is reflected in the burgeoning vol-ume of trade which totalled \$361 million last year, two-thirds of it Israeli exports to Russia.

From a strategic standpoint, however, Russian concerns tend to coincide with those of Syria, especially regarding the cordial ties that bave been forged between Israel and Turkey.

Primakov knows Israel must tread carefully in its dealings with the Turks and avoid seeming to sympathize with them on such external issues as the Cyprus conflict or their Aegean Sea dispute with Greece. The Russians also can capitalize diplomatically on the fact that the Syrians prefer them to the US. In short, Primakov's regional tour proved that Russia has several strategic cards to play in the Middle East while upholding its status as a co-sponsor of the Madrid peace conference.

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By JAY BUSHINSKY "the achievements" scored in talks to date "will be taken into consideration." Those words perked up

Levy he was going back to Syria. Primakov's behavinr conforms operations extends from the nomic contacts. By the same token, the Russians angrily reject Israeli and American charges that they are helping Teheran acquire and manufacture ballistic missiles. Backing up Primakov's denials in Israel, President Boris Yeltsin's spokesman, Sergei Yastrzhembsky reportedly told a Moscow news conference that "there is no such

cooperation (on missiles), never was and never will be." But he insisted on Moscow's right to keep its economic doors open to Iran: "We hear these unfounded reproaches most often from two sources - Washington and Tel Aviv," he went on. "We think this is a conscious policy aimed at

forcing our country out of economic cooperation with Iran. We have cooperated and traded with Iran and will continue to do so."

Primakov and prompted him to tell

with Moscow's newly inspired interest in resurning its role as a regional super-power. Its theater DÍ frontiers of China to the Mediterranean Sea, including India, Iran and Iraq - countries with which it is intent on maintaining intensive political and ecoThe Jerusalem Post Thursday, October 30, 1997

New matriculation exam system instituted: More tests, less material

By ARYEH DEAN COHEN

There was good news and bad news yesterday for high-school pupils regarding this year's matriculation examinations.

The bad news: they once again will have to be tested in all seven required subjects - Hebrew language, English, math, Bible. civics, history and literature.

The good news: they will be tested on only four-sevenths of the material they will have studied in each subject, and they will be informed which four-sevenths around Pessah, in time to prepare for the exams.

The four-sevenths fraction was decided upon in negotiations between the pupils' representarives and Education Ministry officials. It reflects an apparent effort to somewhat mirror the system that existed for the past two years,

when a lottery was conducted to determine on which four of the seven required subjects the pupils would be tested.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer moved to do away with the lottery system last spring, but met with strong opposition from the pupils and eventually reneged, announcing that a committee would be formed to determine a new system for this school year.

The new system is intended to reduce the pressure on pupils in preparing for the exams, while at the same time meeting university heads' demands that the pupils be tested in all the seven subjects.

It will also do justice to twelfth graders, some of whom already may have taken matriculation exams in some of the subjects in tenth or eleventh grades and been tested on all the material, under the old system. To be fair to them,

they will get a break on some of the non-required matriculation exams they decide to take this year, in which they also will be tested on only 4/7 of the material covered in class.

At a press conference announcing the new system yesterday, both Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and National Student and Youth Council head Oded Cohen praised the new arrangement.

"I said when I took office that I was not pleased with the lottery system for the matriculation exam. I didn't like all the excitement and joy about how we were making things easier for the pupils, or the whole atmosphere around the lot-tery," Hammer said. "Also, as regards Jewish pupils,

I thought that a person graduating an Israeli high school should be able to say that he studied Bible, and not bave this be a matter of

chance."

Hammer said those involved looked for the solution that was the most sound pedagogically, that the universities would accept, and that would not leave the pupils feeling they were left out, or that a greater burden was being placed

upon them. "I said all along: 1 don't want a lottery, but we will not make things more difficult," he said. Hammer praised Cohen and the other pupil representatives who

participated in the discussions on the exam for displaying commendable maturity and seriousness. Cohen said that the council had

dealt with "one of the most difficult decisions it has ever faced." "We knew we had to make a change this year regarding the temporary solution of the lottery, he said. "From the various solu-

tions proposed, I think the best possible one was chosen."

Twelfth-grader Adina Dershowitz, of Jerusalem, said the new arrangement sounded "excellent" to her, and "will definitely make things easier for me."

"I guess it's a good idea," Kelly Breakstone, also a high-school senior from the capital, said. "It's really a lot of material to study and most of the kids gamble and don't study everything anyway. I think it was stupid with the lottery. Foursevenths? It sounds pretty good." However, the Secondary Schools Teachers Association wasn't as happy about the new arrangement.

The association protested that it had not been included in the decision-making, and that this repre-sented a slap in the face to those involved in the actual job of teach-



in brief

MKs: Classroom hours must be restored

The Knesset Education Committee is to meet again next week to determine whether the 70,000 classroom hours cut last year have been restored, as was agreed upon in the agreement signed

on August 31 that permitted the opening of the school year. At a committee meeting yesterday, Histadrul Teachers Union head Avraham Ben-Shabbat said 30,000 of the 70,000 hours were still missing, and committee chairman Emannel Zissmann said a spot check showed only 25% of the hours had been restored. Ministry Director-General Benzion Dell insisted all the hours had been returned. The committee also stated its opposition to Ârveh Dean Cohen planned cuts in the education budget.

Pollard asks to be recognized as Israeli agent

Convicted spy Jonathan Pollard yesterday asked the High Court of Justice to force the government to take responsibility for his actions and recognize him as an agent. During the closed-door hearing, a three-justice panel ordered the government to grant Pollard's wife, Esther, meetings with senior security officials during the next two months, and then return for another bearing. The state had asked for a six-month delay.

Mrs. Pollard said she was pleased with the court's willingness to consider her petition. "The government seems to he beginning to realize that it's got to deal with this," she told reporters. Pollard's lawyer, Larry Dub, said an acknowledgement that Pollard was an agent could pave the way for his release. Pollard has served 13 years of a life term in a US jail.

Supreme Court uphoids Rosenstein remand

The Supreme Court yesterday rejected Ze'ev Rosenstein's appeal against Tel Aviv District Court's decision that he be remanded until Friday. He is being held in connection with the murders of Ilan Aslan and Ya'acov Kahalon and a murder attempt on Manny Aslan.

Police seeking body snatcher

Haifa police are looking for Haim Nanikashvili, 23, of Kiryat Ata, who is suspected of stealing a corpse from the morgue at Rambam Hospital. Haifa Magistrate's Court yesterday issued an arrest warrant for Nanikashvili, who allegedly took the body of Eitan Michaeli, who was stabbed to death in a commercial dispute in Kiryat Motzkin on October 15, from the morgue and brought it to Michaeli's parent's bome, where relatives prevented police from reclaiming it for an autopsy. Nanikashvili has ignored several police requests that he appear for questioning.

Lubotzky: Shas itself petitions High Court

Following the statements by Shas mentor Ovadia Yosef that the religious public should boycott the secular legal system, MK Alex Lubotzky (Third Way) yesterday noted that Shas itself has filed eight petitions to the High Court in recent years, including some on religious-related issues. "Apparently, [either] Rabbi Ovadia Yosef's words do not bind the Shas faction or the courts are kosher when Shas is hurt and treif when the situation is the other way round," Lubotzky said. Liar Collins

Hebrew University launches \$600m. campaign

The Hebrew University has launched a \$600 million fundraising campaign with the opening of the academic year, aimed at provid-ing new dormitories and social services for pupils, improving computer and communications equipment, and funding new academic centers and research activities.

The university is beginning its first full academic year with Prof. Menachem Magidor as president and Prof. Menahem Ben-Sasson as rector.

Among the new programs being offered this year are a master's program in environmental science, a master's in human genetics and a master's in agriculture being taught in English. In addition, the Rothberg School for Overseas Students will be offering sudents in the One Year Program a specialization in business administratioo and economics. Jerusalem Post Staff

Israel-Slovenia military ties 'bear fruit'

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By STEVE RODAN

Slovenian Defense Minister Tit Turnsek, on a four-day visit here, said Tuesday that his country and Israel are cooperating on numerous defense projects in a growing security relationship that began in 1993. We have a long cooperation and now we see the first results," Turnsek said. "The results are very positive. The first deliveries are effective [and include] what has been agreed between 1993 and 1995 and 1996."

Turnsek, an engineer who was appointed defense minister in February, said the defense cooperation began more than four years ago when Jerusalem sold the former Yugoslav republic weapons. Today, he said, Israel is helping the Slovenians modernize their army. This includes tactical communications, artillery, and munitions.

Turnsek said Israel is modernizing Slovenia's T-55 tanks and is planning to upgrade other models of Soviet tanks. Turnsek refused to give a figure on the extent of Israeli sales to Slovenia.

Turnsek met Tuesday with Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordecbai and participated in a panel headed by Defense Ministry Director-General Ilan Biran. He will be visitin companies, including Israel Aircraft Industries, Elbit Systems Ltd., and Tadiran. He is being accompanied by senior officers and defense officials. Turnsek said Israel and Slovenia are planning to jointly produce and market systems. This includes the upgrade of former Soviet tanks and howitzers. "We have started a good cooperation and now we should continue this effort," he said. Some of the Israeli contractors have been chosen, Turnsek said. while others are still being evaluated. He would not elaborate. Turnsek said be is pleased with the Israeli performance. "These are complicated systems and the question is how well we manage to solve these difficulties and problems," be said. "But it is important to realize that we have managed very successfully. I have to stress that we are very satisfied with the support and attitude of the Israeli companies and parties to manage these mutual issues." Turnsek said Slovenia continues to fight arms, drug smuggling, and terrorism coming from eastern Енгоре.



Last-minute advice

the agreement made with the prisoners.

The rates of food poisoning and diarrhea outbreaks in the Israel 1980s. Defense Forces has dropped by nearly half during the past few years, with salmonella bacteria largely replacing the more fierce shigella, according to a new study by the IDF Medical Corps and Tel Aviv University's Sackler Medical School.

By JUDY SIEGEL

The nine-page study, by Drs. Itaniar Grotto, Yossi Mandel, Yitzhak Ashkenazi, and Yehoshua Shemer, was published in the latest issue of Harefuah, the journal of the Israel Medical Association.

It shows that while the trend of acute infectious diseases of the gastrointestinal tract shows a clear decline, the number of cases still

remains high, affecting 36.3 sol-diers per 100,000 on active duty, compared 10 68.3 at the end of the

IDF cuts food poisoning, diarrhea in half

Sergei Kaufman, who was involved in the rebellion at Military Prison No. 6 in August, consults with his lawyer yesterday as

the High Court of Justice heard petitions, presented on behalf of Kaufman and 17 others, demanding the government uphold

In the US alone, over 12 million cases of food poisoning and acute gastrointestinal infections are reported each year, and they kill some 7,000 victims - mostly young children. the elderly, and the chronically ill.

The cost of treating patients and losi workdays totals \$8 billion annually.

Some serious outbreaks were reported among American forces during the Gulf War in Saudi Arabia seven years ago.

In most parts of the world, military forces are most susceptible to such infections because of inadequate sanitary conditions of food

preparation and hygiene, especially in the field. Diarrhea can disrupt the functioning of flight crews, training exercises, navy operations, and other military activities.

The fact that central kitchens prepare food for hundreds or even thousands of soldiers, and that infected soldiers often move from one unit to another, increases the risk in the military.

The authors record 343 outbreaks reported to the Health Ministry between 1986 and 1995 in which over 13,000 people were affected.

Despite major efforts to combat the condition, as many as a fifth of IDF soldiers suffer from food poisoning or acute gastrointestinal infections each year - some in iso-

lated incidents and some as part of outhreaks.

(Isaac Harari)

Most of the incidents occur during the summer, due to the effect of beat on food.

The authors note that outhreaks are most likely in field units with new recruits who have not yet developed natural immunity to the bacteria.

But significant improvements in sanitation and food preparation and storage in field units during the past three years have reduced the number and seriousness of outbreaks. The authors state that even

stricter educational measures and appointing special prevenuve teams can cut it even more, as will better isolation techniques and the development of vaccines.

Scribes no longer threatened by lead poisoning

Ritual scribes (sofrim) no longer suffer from the occupational hazard of lead poisoning. Jerusalem researchers have found that the scribes' switch to prepared, non-leaded inks instead of preparing them by themselves bas spared from from lead-poisoning symptoms. Dr. Yoram Finkelstein, a senior neurotoxicologist at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital, and Dr. Yona Amitai, a toxicologist in the pediatrics department of Hadassah-University Hospital on Mt. Scopus, recently examined 46 scribes from the Jerusalem area who have worked for a year to 20 years.

None of the scribes had high lead levels. The results were presented at a recent toxicology conference in Haifa and reported in Shaare Zedek's Shaar Patuah bulletin. Judy Siegel

Dangerous heart procedure performed on baby

Prof. Bernardo Vidne, of the Schneider Children's Medical Center for Israel in Petah Tikva, performed a Ross procedure the replacement of a discased aortic heart valve with the patient's own pulmonary valve - on an 18-month-old. The operation had never been done here on such a young patient. The baby boy will be discharged in a few days. The procedure was developed in the 1980s by a British physician named Ross, but since it is dangerous, it has been applied, with care, only in the last few years, mostly on adults. Judy Siegel

HEBREW PRESS REVIEW

The worldwide turmoil in the stock markets was the focus of media commentary this week.

"Who saved the New York stock exchange yesterday?" writes Yediot Aharonot's Sever Plotzker. "the small American investor wbo did not surrender to collective panic and remained composed and

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is a subject of envy." He adds that the investors did not sell, bringing the sbarp plunges to a halt.

However, due to the persisting panic worldwide, instability remains. "especially in Israel where [people] are much more nervous by nature."

David Lipkin in Ma'ariv asserts that the markets in Europe will be able to recover in a relatively short time because "they are known for their maneuverability and are largely affected by Wall Street." However, it will take time for the markets in Asia to heal.

"If the crisis does not end soon, there will be massive withdrawals by foreign investors from Israel," writes Yedior's Udi Nachshon, adding that this will be followed by a sharp devaluation of the shekel.

Moshe Perl in Ma'oriv states that eventually the markets will stabilize, but the "when" depends on the small investors, because "only their behavior in the coming days will dictate the extent of the trauma. "The pleasures of economic

freedom sometimes command a price." writes Yediot's Gidon Eshet, adding that the side-effects are high interest rates and unemployment in Israel.

Russian visit

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov's visit to Israel once again raised two unresolved issues: Russian-Iranian cooperation and missing IAF navigator Ron Arad.

Ron Ben -Yishai in Yedlot Aharonot states that Primakov's claim that Ron Arad is dead is inadmissible in Israel, as there is no concrete proof to support the claim.

In addition, Ben-Yishai writes that Russia has economic interests in Iran and the latter is probably using Russia as a messenger. "The

pressure on the Iranians should not subside; they probably have good reasons to want to drop the affair from the international agenda," he says, adding that in the future, the Iranians will probably want to position the issue "at the center of a bargain that is significant 10 them.

"The quarrel between Israel and Russia over the transfer of ballistic missile technology to Iran should be judged as part of the Russian strategy for greater involvement in the Middle East," writes Ha'aretz's David Makovsky.

He adds that despite Russia's agenda, Israel is not closing its door, as the Netanyahu government believes in economic cooperation between Israel and Russia.

Letter from Raful

Minister of Agriculture Rafael Eitan's letter to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyabu, warning against Beduin control over lands,

will backfire, writes Yaron London in Yediot, claiming that the letter "will accelerate the

Palestinization and Hamasization of the Beduin."

By ORLY AHARONI

He adds that there are no simple solutions but there is a need to meat Beduin "like other citizens, not as a security problem."

Ho'oretz editorializes that Eitan's proposals 'lack insight and suffer from political foolishness.'

Dialogue of the deaf

The 14th Knesset, which reconvened on Tuesday is a preordained failure, writes Gideon Samet in Ha'aretz. claiming that "[the MKs] know that the Knesset is castraled due to the current elecuon system which is responsible for the immunization of the prime minister and his coalition.'

"Whoever listened to the speeches of both sides in the Knesset, did not become any wiser." writes Ma'ariv's Yosef Lapid

He claims that Netanyahu used the same old slogans and Labor leader Ehud Barak had nothing to offer but ornate language and warnings.

By JUDY SIEGEL

Thousands of non-emergency operations will be cancelled today in the country's public bospitals except Laniado in Netanya - due to another strike by members of the Israel Medical Association. On Tuesday, the hospitals were on emergency schedule for 24 bours.

by the IMA to protest the Treasury's refusal to implement an agreement adding 1,200 extra hospital beds in pediatric, internal medicine, and surgical wards and 360 more doctors' slots during the next few years. The Finance

MKs to discuss political activity in PM's Office

IMA to strike public hospitals today

ment in March, now says it wants

the hospitals to absorb the costs of

expansion instead of the money

"Since we have seen that the

coming from the Treasury.

By LIAT COLLENS

The Knesset State Control Committee will be convened to discuss reports of political activity in the Prime Minister's Office, committee chairman Yossi Katz (Labor) said yesterday. The meeting will include Prime

Lieberman is involved in the moves to change the internal Likud electoral system and a news item that a Likud activist, Danny Minister's Office director-general

Greenberg, participated in a meeting at the Defense Ministry in the guise of a member of the Prime Minister's Office.

they have recovered, and not

according to patient occupancy in

the wards. If the internal medicine

departments fill up, the Health

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Meanwhile, Health Minister

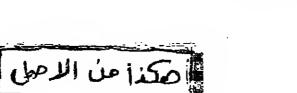
Yeboshua Matza sent Finance

Minister Yaakov Neeman a letter

demanding the Treasury finance the NIS 1.3 billion deficit in the health

science allows it."

"There is reason to fear the dangerous mix of political activities and government work," Katz said. The Prime Minister's Office cannot be turned into the general headquarters of the ruling party."



government has no serious intention of worrying about patients, the IMA is doing all it can to ensure that the bospitalized will

The sanctions have been called

get the best possible treatment," declared IMA chairman Dr. Yoram Blachar. "We are unwilling to live with a situation in which patients the care they need.

will lie in the corridors and not get "We have renewed the 'safe and

ystem, as required by the National Health Insurance Law. Efficiency proper medicine' campaign in measures by the health funds and which patients will be discharged the payment of service fees will not only after their doctor is certain Ministry, which signed the agreecover the gap, he said.

Avigdor Lieberman; Attorney-

General Elyakim Rubinstein and Civil Service Commissioner Shmuel Hollander, Katz said. He said the discussion was necessary in view of reports that

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UN suspends monitoring operations in Iraq

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The UN tem- resume work as soon as possible "but I'm not porarily suspended operations of its weapons inspectors yesterday after the Iraqi government ordered all Americans working for the inspection team to leave the country within a week.

The chief UN weapons inspector, Richard Butler, also said he was shelving plans for the time being to visit Baghdad on November 7 as planned.

Butler said the estimated 100 employees of the UN Special Commission, which conducts the inspections, would continue to work in their offices but would conduct no field operations for the time being.

Butler, a former Australian ambassador to the UN, also said Iraq's demand was unacceptable. "We have a hig job to do," Butler said. "Our staff are much stretched in getting that job done." He said the inspection team wanted to

prepared to have this work continue on the basis that Iraq can say to us which person from which country is or isn't acceptable."

"Who's next," he asked? "Today the United States? Tomorrow the United Kingdom? This is wrong. Iraq is a party to an agreement married with the Security Council of the United Nations which specifically states that they are obliged to accept whatever staff UNSCOM hires to do the iob.

Ten of the 40 inspectors currently stationed in Iraq are US citizens. Americans also hold key positions in the Special Commission, including its deputy, Charles Duefler.

The inspectors are trying to determine whether Iraq has complied with UN orders to dismantle all long-range missiles and weapons of mass destruction - which was a condition for ending the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

The council has said it will lift crippling eco-nomic sanctions, imposed in 1990 after President Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, only after the inspectors certify full compliance. Butler said the Iraqis had accused his team of being "a kind of anthill of Americans" but "it's not true." Hc said the Chileans, who fly inspectors' helicopters, constitute the largest single nationality but he would not give specific figures for safety reasons.

Butler said he would have to consult with the Americans before deciding how to respond to Iraq's demand about no longer using US reconnaissance planes for surveillance.

"To say that this aircraft carries out United States spywork, for which we are providing cover, is something that I simply and utterly reject," Butler said.

Sudan peace talks resume after 3-year break

By MATTHEW BIGG

NAIROBI (Reuters) - Peace talks between the Sudanese government and rebels, aimed at ending Africa's longest-running war, were due to open in Nairobi yesterday after a three-year break marked by increased fighting and significant rebel gains.

Central to the talks between Sudan's Islamic government (NIF) and the political wing of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) will be the right to self-determination for the south, analysts said.

The principlc is enshrined in a six-point declaration by the Interclaims to represent a largely Christian and animist south. Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) – a group of seven states mainly from the Horn Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Osman Mohammad Taha leads the NIF team, while Commander of Africa and chaired by Kenya -Salva Kiir, chief of staff of the SPLA leads the rebel delegation. Kenyan Foreign Minister under whose umbrella the talks are being held. The talks are aimed at ending the

Kalonzo Musyoka was returning from Britain yesterday to bost the talks, delayed from Tuesday. Foreign Ministry officials said. civil war in Africa's largest country, which has claimed 1.3 million lives through war and famine since Musyoka was due to host an it restarted in 1983. The war pits the NIF government opening ceremony later yesterday

of the Moslem and mainly Arab before the talks proper start today. north against the SPLA, which the Sudan People's But

Liberation Movement, the SPLA's political wing, said it was in the dark about the program.

"We are waiting for the opening session, which we are told will be this afternoon. We haven't been told the exact venue... we haven't yet been told anything from the mediators," rebel spokesman Cmdr. Nhial Deng told Reuters. President Hassan Omar Bashir's

government walked out of IGAD talks in 1994, refusing to negotiate the declaration of principles while it contained reference to self-determination



Fair compensation

Czech Holocaust victims demonstrate in front of the German Embassy in Prague yesterday seeking speedy settlement of individual compensation claims. The placard at bottom left reads: 'Don't falsify history, fair compensation for the truth.'

Mandela, Gadaffi meet for 2nd time in week

TUNIS (Reuters) – Sonth airlincr African President Nelson Scotland African Mandela yesterday arrived in Libya and met Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi for the second time in a week, Libyan staterun television reported.

Mandela, who spent the night at the Tunisian island of Djerba, went by road to Znwarah, where he was greeted by Gaddafi with a hug and a kiss on each check. The UN banned flights in and out of Libya in 1992 to force Libya to hand over to Britain or the US two Libyan suspects in said Tuesday in Rabat after talks the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am with Morocco's King Hassan.

over Lockerbie, Scotland in which 270 people died.

urged governments to recognize their profession Mandela's decision to return to and said that being forced to work underground is promoting the spread of AIDS. Libya had sparked speculation, which he has denied, that he was seeking to mediate in the dispute the Asia-Pacific Sex Workers' Network, told a over a Lockerbie trial venoe. press conference that society should not treat them like criminals but protect them from police

"I made it clear (earlier) that I harassment, including arrest, assault, and rape. "We call on the delegates to the International am not mediating on the Lockerbie issue....I am meeting Congress on AIDS ... to recognize that sex work President Gaddafi on things of mutual concern between our is an occupation... to accept it is the unsafe conrespective countries and ourditions at work rather than sex work itself that selves and that's all," Mandela causes risk of HIV infection," the group said in a statement.

international AIDS conference in Manila to discuss how to curb the spread of the disease in the MANILA (Reuters) - A group of Asian pros-titutes attending an AIDS congress yesterday

Asian prostitutes seek recognition

Asia/Pacific region. UN officials estimate that by last year up to seven million Asians were carrying the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) which causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Global estimates of the infection stood at 23 million last year. The number is expected to double by 2000, with probably half of those infected being in Asia.

UN officials say heterosexual sex accounts for the majority of the infections.

"We want that we are able to work and not be arrested," said Thai bargirl Napapom Soimalai,

Napaporn said she is now a student at a Bangkok university studying psychology but continues to work as a prostitute to support her family and herself through college.

The group's spokeswoman, Khartini Slanmah, a 34-year-old Malaysian, said that by making prostitution illegal in many Asian countries, governments are promoting the spread of AIDS,

Prostitutes cannot conduct lengthy debates with customers to persuade them to use condoms because of the threat of police arrest at any time, she said. Thus they usually had to yield to

the demands they wear no condom. Prostitution might be difficult to legalize throughout Asia, but it should be treated as ordinary work, she said.

Her group demanded safe and confidential access to safer sex products, health care, and medication, but opposed mandatory HIV tests. saying tests should be voluntary.

Tensions high after killing of **Bosnian** Croat

SARAJEVO (Reuters) - A wave of killings targeting Croats in Bosnia has aggravated tensions in the country's Moslem-Croat fed-eration and jeopardized plans for refugees to return to their bomes, Western officials said yesterday. The murder of a 30-year-old Bosnian Croat man this week oear the central town of Travnik was the latest in a series of killings over the past several months which have left six Croats dead. Ivica Domic was shot dead and his father and teenage brother were wounded on the same street where a dooble murder of Croats occurred in August, police said. Bosnian police bave so far failed to solve the morder cases which coincide with agreements between Croat and Moslem leaders to

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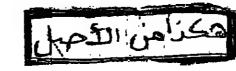
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Police in Bosnia's Moslem-Croat federation said they were investigating the possibility that hardline elements opposed to the power-sharing agreements in the federation may have been behind the violence.

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International police monitors said that, whatever the motivation for the murder of Domic, the violence carries "immediate political ramifications". UN spokesman Liam McDowall told Reuters.

"This is a very sensitive area where people had expressed a desire to move back to their homes," McDowall said.

"As a consequence, we are trying to put all our resources towards assisting the police in gctting speedy results on these murder cases." Croat leaders in the federation and the foreign minister of neighboring Croatia expressed outrage over the murders.

"I most strongly condemn yet another in a series of disturbing crimes against Croats in central Bosnia," Foreign Minister Mate Granic told the state news agency.

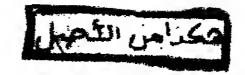
German defense minister:

Neo-Nazism in army scandalous

BONN (AP) - Defense Minister Volker Ruehe ordered his top officers to investigate the source of neo-Nazi sentiments in the German army and work up measures to get rid of it.

The order came after a homemade video showing soldiers giving the Hitler salute and talk about killing Jews surfaced last week. The tape was made in 1994-95 by the same battalion responsible for a similar video that was uncovered in July.

Ruebe told parliament's defense committee yesterday that the behavior of the 571st Mountain Infantry battalion was scandalous and had damaged the entire army's image, committee members said. But he said it was unfair to condemn the army because of the "lapses of individual soldiers." Nowhere, he said, "is action taken so unrelentingly against extrem-ism and radical violence as in the German army."



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Off to Swaziland

Britain's Prince of Wales at London's Heathrow Airport on Tuesday with his younger son, Prince Harry, before departing on an official visit to Swaziland, Lesotho and South Africa. Prince Harry, 13, will attend two public engagements with his father, a Spice Girls charity con-cert and a visit to the Kwazulu village of Duki Duku. (AP)

Astronaut and cosmonaut

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By TOM ROSE

T 7ith his custom-fitted seat liner built to cushioo the blow of a Russian "hard landing" installed in the Soyuz capsule docked to the Mir space statioo, Dr. David A. Wolf is finally a member of the Mir 24 crew and a cosmonaut

As both an astronaut and a cos-monaut, David Wolf is now the oewest member of the most exclusive fraternity of space travelers. That an American Jew from Iodianapolis has heen called upon to help repair this aged Russian space station must pain the antisemitic remnants of the Soviet monolith that huilt and launched the space craft as much as it thrills and inspires those of us who have known and (idolized) David Wolf since childbood.

Say what you will about the Russians, hut months of media hysteria notwithstanding, they have managed to huild and maintain what is hy far the safest and most reliable vehicle ever huilt for human travel. During its eleven years on orbit, space station Mir has traveled a staggering 1.6 hillion miles at an average speed of 17,500 mph without ever injuring a single passenger or even coming in for a tuoe up Try that on your family sedan!

humility and, most of all, perseverance. eration and conduct important medical and scientific research during a scheduled four-month, 64-million mile journey is a true American hero. He epitomizes the attributes we all seem to agree are in short supply: hard work, discipline, courage, commitment, humility and, most of



The world is now rapidly learn-ing what those of us who grew up determination to comprehend and ultimately transcend the once with David Wolf bave known for immutable laws of gravity started a long time: that the extraordisome three decades ago on nary man our oatioo just deliv-Oakwood Drive, a quiet Indianapolis street peopled by ered to further Russian-US coop-

middle-class, middle-American Jews. It was there that America's oewest space hero cooducted some of his earliest experiments, which iocluded examining the results of picking up Yours Truly by the ankles and dropping him face first into the neighboring Levinsons' evergreen bushes. While 1 didn't start out as a fully cooperative subject in David Wolf's mastery of Newtonian principles, the cuts had barely started to heal before I began to fully appreciate the degree to which I was helping David advance the human condition. The more David Wolf accomplished and the closer he came to fulfilling his lifelong dream of living and working in space, my adulation - ooce considered hizarre - found its beavenly vindicatioo. l was about three when, from

deep inside the Levinsons' evergreen bushes. I first looked up in amazement at David Wolf. While I have been looking up to David ever since, I oow have a world of company. We are all looking up to David Wolf: 241 miles up. In fact, with clear skies, David Wolf's orbiting home can be seen most mornings in the minutes just before 6 a.m. as a small but clear white light streaking across Chicago's southeastern sky.

As the youoger (and therefore insignificant) brother of a childhood friend, my connection to David Wolf was limited to legeod and lore. While David Wolf achieved oear mythic status to us kids, his specter posed a trouble-some dilemma for our folks. On the one band, parents could only pray that their children would study as hard and achieve as much as David Wolf (being Reform, mine obviously didn't pray hard eoongh); while on the other hand, they were hardly anxious to encourage us to be too much like David Wolf. After all, the real miracle is not that David Wolf survived a childhood of jumping out of windows, building bombs, crasbing motorcy-cles, and flying stant planes, but that his mother made it out alive. As for my family, I am proud to say that the not-so-subtle avocation of David Wolf Idol worship has successfully been passed to a oew generation. It was all I could



By DAVID WOLF

Dear Tom and Doug, Since there is so much to tell you about life up here on Mir, am uncertain about even where to begin. To tell you the truth, I don't know bow anyone could adequately reduce an experieoce like this to words in any language. I guess I should just try to convey something about this sensesaturating experience in workable and intelligible snippets. I will start with the mundane and hope that the sublime follows. After all, 1 am just a scientist.

On the work froot, we opened up the laboratory where I will be managing the heavy-retinue of science we have planned for this mission, and I am delighted to report that things are going incredi-hly well. In fact, far better than any of us bad expected, which is saying quite a bit considering that we all began this project with high expectations. We have already made some rather startling discoveries about what happens to cancer cells when cultivated in the three-dimensional tissue cultures we are able to produce up here in zero gravity, hut I will report more about that later.

We just received our first resupply from an unmanned Russian Progress ship. It was quite somethiog to see the robot ship emerge in and out of the darkness as it slowly moved in for rendezvous and docking. (Remember that up here, sunrises and sunsets occur every few minutes.) Our commander, Anatoly

Soloyviev, was working from a tele-operated docking station that produced the view as seen from the pilotless cargo vessel. Its computer corrected for errors in the cross hairs on the docking target, making it act as though it were almost human. Anatoly's bands were lightly poised on the remote control sticks, ready to manually assume cootrol at the first sign that the computer onboard Progress was making bad decisions. Anatoly and Pavel Vinogradov, my other

Russian crewmate, were both

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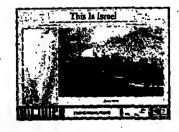
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do to keep my three-year-old son, who bas been programmed to live and breathe David Wolf since hirth, from literally leaping off my shoulders as we jumped in jubilation as the four and a half million pound rocket that catapulted our beloved frieod ioto orbit produced the greatest sbow oo earth. Not only did the night launch transform Florida darkness ioto daylight, hut the space shuttle Atlantis reached for the heavens with a speed and a brilliance I am still trying to digest. One minute after liftoff, Atlantis was racing upward at 1,500 mph and was already 50 miles down range. Five and a half minutes later, Atlantis, traveling 15,000 mph and a hundred milcs high, was now half way to Europe, viewing its first sunrise and yet was still clearly visible from Florida. In the time it took us to rouod up the kids and drive back to the hotel, David and his crewmates had already logged nearly 30,000 miles. If and when he is successful in establishing a reliable communi-

cation link from MIR after

Atlantis heads hack to earth,

David Wolf has promised to send

me regular reports about daily life

aboard his wondrous new home

and has encouraged me to share

his letters with you. Until then, I

can only wish my dear friend a Jewish New Year filled with safe-

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The writer, a Hollinger

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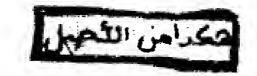
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spacecraft from the console onboard Mir. I couldn't help but be struck by the image of confidence bred by decades of experience and training that these two giants of the Russian space program demonstrated as they guided our two ships together. Thunk. The ships mated pretty firmly - which is perfectly normal. There were oo pressure sensations in my ears. Once the docking mechanisms were properly engaged, the silence of the finely, tuned nerves up bere was brokeo by laughter and hearty handshakes. Supplies had arrived! As we opened up the Progress, we discovered that each of us had beeo seot a bag of gifts. To whoever was responsible, thanks! The Russians say it is like an early Christmas. Lots of candy, and fresh food for dinner, which turned into a night on orbit 1 will never forget. Although I haven't been gone long, know 1 will be, so the stuff really means a lot. Not only did we share good food, our favorite Russian music, and great friendships, hut we did it while watching the world so by. New my that down there.

By the way, crazy rumors even manage to reach us up here. Is it true that Purdue is 5-1? More later. Keep your wings rolling.

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Space By GLENN KESSLER

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WASHINGTON President Clinton has preached the gospel of global markets ever since he took office five years ago, arguing that the United States was no island that could shut itself off from trade, investments or economic trends.

Yet Tuesday, the president emphasized that the United States was an island of stability in a world of economic turbulence - even though it was a currency crisis in Hong Kong that sparked a worldwide stock market plunge that helped topple US stock markets Monday.

"I'd like to ask all of us to remember that our economy is as strong and vibrant today as it has been in a generation," Clinton said in Chicago during an early-morning speech on education issues.

With unemployment and inflation at their lowest levels in two decades, businesses and banks healthy and sound, new jobs being created every day, our economy is continuing to grow steady and strong."

Investors apparently agreed, shrugging off yet another plunge in the Hong Kong market and pushing the Dow Jones industrial average up more than 3\$7 points by the end of the day.

But if anything, the sudden twists and turns underscored to what degree economic policy-makers have their hands tied by the global markets, analysts said. Absent any sign of a sidden cash crunch among securities dealers and banks, like in 1987, there was little the administration and the Federal Reserve could do Tuesday but watch the

ticker. "Our fundamentals are still good, but we are linked forever to the



An electric stock indicator flashes the big loss on the Tokyo stock market on Tuesday. The sign reads: Today's average -725.

global markets," said David Jones, chief economist at Anbrey Lanston & Co. in New York. "That's the lesson for today." "There isn't too much policy-

makers can do," said Irwin Kellner, president of Kellner Economie Advisers and a professor at Hofstra. University in New York.

Much of Wall Street will be listening to see if Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan hints that the Fed is less likely to increase interest rates, Previously, Greenspan indicated the Fed was leaning toward raising rates because he feared continued strength in the economy would spark inflation. But

Retirees must accept risks

many experts said this week that the drop in the stock market from its once lofty heights was likely to lead to a slowdown in economic growth - in effect, taking care of Greenspan's No. 1 concern.

The global capital markets are doing his job for him," Jones said. Perhaps few within the adminis-

tration understood that better than Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, who once ran Goldman, Sachs & Co. and was regarded on Wall Street as a fearsome trader. Rubin publicly has taken a polished tone of nonehalance about the stock-market dips, appearing informally before cameras Monday night.

Rubin noted that "payment and settlement systems and other market mechanisms are working effectively." - code for saying that Wall Street dealers were not facing the cash crunch that nearly melted the market during the 1987 crash. And he also stressed the solid US econo-

White House officials said Clinton referred to the market Tuesday only because he had been scheduled to speak in public. "If he had not said something, it would have looked odd," one official said. Wall Street analysts praised the White House and the Fed for their low-keyed handling of the situation. By and large, the best they can do is what they've been doing," said Donald Fine, chief market analyst at Chase Asset Management.

Unlike 10 years ago, when the budget deficit was soaring and the banking system was weak, today, the economy is in good shape, experts said. "The US is clearly able to weather this storm better than any

During Tuesday's 8 a.m. staff meeting at the White House, Rubin gave a sober account of the overnight activity in the Asian mar-

He was back at the White House at 10 a.m. for a scheduled meeting with economie officials on the administration's stalled push for new presidential authority to negotiate trade deals. (Newsday)

The herd factor

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James Gottfurcht, a Los

Angeles psychologist who is a

consultant for Mastercard on

consumer behavior, speculates

that the herd behavior that often

drives buying and selling fren-

zies is simply human nature. He

said it is a "survival instinct,"

perhaps left over from humani-

ty's hunting-gathering past. "The notion that there is safety

in numbers is in our biology," he

said. "Even if you have a logical

mind and a good investment courselor, you're likely to be swept up in the group." Generally, researchers besitate to

label one person's behavior

"irrational" because it is hard to

find agreement on what is "ratio-

nal." After all, one investor's

dog is another's bargain. But in evaluating investment

behavior, researchers do have a

mostly objective standard: the

performance of a particular

stock, stock index, or market as a

whole. And when investors sell a

stock prematurely and miss out

on substantial profit, or stub-

bornly hold onto a stock as it

goes down the tubes, researchers

A number of well-publicized

studies have shown just that. A

sor Terrence Odean found that

investors working with discount

brokers, and thus presumably

acting mostly on their own, tend-

ed to sell stocks that performed

better than the ones that they

went on to buy. Some of that is inexperience, researchers sng-gest, but it's "irrational" to the extent that it reflects anxiety

rather than calm analysis.

Edward Charlesworth.

Houston psychologist and author of the 1994 book "Mind Over

Money," suggested that the glob-

alization of the financial markets

might make investors more anx-

consider that "irrational."

always optimal after all.

By TERENCE MONIMANEY

LOS ANGELES - In the elassical view, the stock market is like a vast computer that works according to inviolable economie laws, and investors are rational beings exercising a disciplined calculus to part with their hard-won cash.

But in an emerging view - one that may shed some light on the market's astronomical ups and downs the last two days - investment specialists and social scientists argue that they are finding a whole lot of raw emotion and frail psychology in the "demand" half of the crowning equation of "supply and demand.

The coupling of Monday's 554-point drop and Tuesday's 337-point rise in the Dow Jones is an extreme example of the fact that Wall Street decisionmaking is based on emotional. not rational, analysis," said Maurice Elvekrog, a psycholo-gist and financial analyst in Bloomfield Hill, Mich.

He attributes the wild trading to "herd behavior" largely on the part of fund managers, who on Monday reacted en masse to a crisis in Far East markets by selling, and then on Tuesday lapped np the now-discounted spoils. "Presumably the professional managers are doing their own thinking and analysis," he said. "But they all tend to live in the same world and are very concerned about quarterly results. study by University of California, Davis finance profes-They don't want to be left behind."

It is only one of the oddities of "investment psychology" that professional money managers, with their high-flying financial credentials and reams of computer data at their fingertips, should be ignominiously compared to a hunch of skittish zebras fleeing a hungry lion.

Beyond herding, social scientists have documented or postulated other ways in which decidedly non-economic emotions sway decisions to buy or sell stocks - including a paralyzing fear of loss, self-aggrandize-ment, wishful thinking, and a sort of optimistic group-think.

ious and thus prone to irrational No less an authority than the behavior because decisions are chairman of the Federal Reserve, now so much more complex, Alan Greenspan, acknowledged linked with foreign economies that there was more to market and currencies. valuations than coldly assessed

Perhaps the ultimate evidence that the markets are influenced

By STAR HUDER

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couple. You've got to have some reasonable amount of equities in the postfolio." The Valiguard Group accently, recommended still another asset allocation formula: Individuals in bonds, 40% in stocks and 20% in cash. 'For individuals who are 75 and older, Vanguard' recommended (The Washington Post)

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izing in decision-making theory,

said that psychologists are mak-

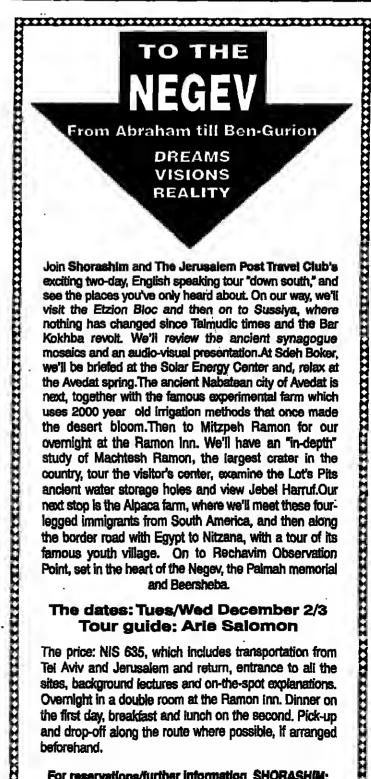
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ence" of economies. "There's

hy emotions and irrational ideas is the fact that yon never know what is going to happen tomorrow, psychologists say. University psychologist special-

A purely scientific market would be drearily predictable; tomorrow's Dow is anybody's call.

(Los Angeles Times)



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The buck stops in the Knesset

The first thing to remember when caught in a stock market plunge like that which hit the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange on Tuesday is: don't panic. Many such plunges are driven more by fear than reality. Indeed, as Wall Street recovered after its paroxysm of correctons and readjustments, the TASE yesterday followed suit, moving back on the upswing.

The wild financial gyradons that swept through the world this past week are certainly proof that the global economy is a reality, here and now. Market sniffles in East Asia cause capital coughs in London and securities sneezes in Mexico. A web so complex no individual really comprehends it all connects and determines the fortunes of people on opposite sides of the oceans who have never met each other. Billions of dollars flow in microseconds through strands of computer cables.

Israel is also a part of this new world economic order, which is why the Asian economic crisis was able to hop the Pacific to New York and continue straight to Tel Aviv. In that sense, the TASE drops earlier this week can be viewed as the good news: if it weren't for the strong connections between Tel Aviv and the New York Stock Exchange, through Israeli high-tech ventures and foreign capital investments here, the effect would not have been so strong. As New York rebounds, so does Tel Aviv. High-tech firms can be expected to continue in their role as the leading engine of Israeli exports. This was a central theme in the comments made by Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu on Tuesday as he attempted to soothe investors worried by that day's losses.

Nevertheless, it would be a mistake to complacently concentrate on the stock market rebounds and relegate the Asian-triggered plunge as a nuisance at worst indirectly causing some readjustments in the Tel Aviv bourse. Not that Israel is in the path of the Asian domino effect - it is simply. too far semoved for that. But it has, at least since the early Nineties when GNP growth surged at a 7% annual clip, been appearing in the listings of major Western business newspapers under the same "emerging market" category as Thailand and Malaysia. Those same listings, the source of pride to some, may come back to haunt Israel if global investors become shy of putting their money in emerging markets. This will require Israeli policymakers to surve to prove that the Asian economic plague has not infected this corner of the world. As always, that will mean paying close attention to long-term fundamentals, not short-term fluctuations. And with regard to those fundamentals, Israel is not out of the woods yet. Economists have not yet figured out bow to avoid boom-and-bust cycles. The US weot through a bust phase some nine years ago, marked by unemployment, sagging property values, and savings-and-loan bank collapses. It bas rebounded remarkably well, and now has a surging low-inflacon, low-unemployment economy. The busts which affected emerging markets in subsequent years, such as Mexico and now Southeast Asia, have so far been less kind. This in part reflects poor fundamentals in many of those emerging economies, such as sbaky banking systems, trade deficits, uncontrolled property mar-

kets, and large doses of corruption. Israel is now going through a relatively mild economic slowdown. Avoiding Asian-scaled losses and hringing the economy in to a soft landing and takeoff again will require vigilance on the part of policymakers. They cannot afford to ignore warning signals and must learn from the mistakes made in Asia. For one thing, the banking system in Israel has for too long been government-owned. The sale of Bank Hapoalim was an important first step, hut it needs to be followed up. A strong and competitive banking system is a must in the race to keep up in the global econo-

Capital market reforms and liberalization must go hand-in-hand with sboring up the banking system. Ultimately, this will require lowering the Bank of Israel's high interest rates, which are acting as a rein on the economy. They are also attracting "hot money" - international capital seeking a high return anywhere in the world. It is for this reason that betting on the shekel has lately been a smart move - while Israel's inflation is around an annual 10%, the shekel has been devalued against the dollar only about 17% over the last five years. But the hot money can flow out as easily as it came in, leading to contracting effects and devaluation pressure on the shekel. An eye should also be kept on the real estate market, which enjoyed a boom fueled by large-scale immigration early in the decade hut has now taken a down-turn. High interest rates can further dampen housing prices, and in the worst case lead to defaults on loans, weakening the banking sys-

Lowering interest rates while avoiding capital flight and sharp devaluations is in turn dependent on reining in inflation. The buck therefore stops in the Knesset, now beginning the budget approval process. It needs to listen carefully to the message coming out of Asia. The global economy works swiftly and is merciless. Reducing Israel's hudget, lowering inflation, and pushing forward privatization cannot be put off indefinitely. Importing Asian-scale woes to Israel's cities will not be pleasant to anyone, least of all the weaker socio-economic sectors.

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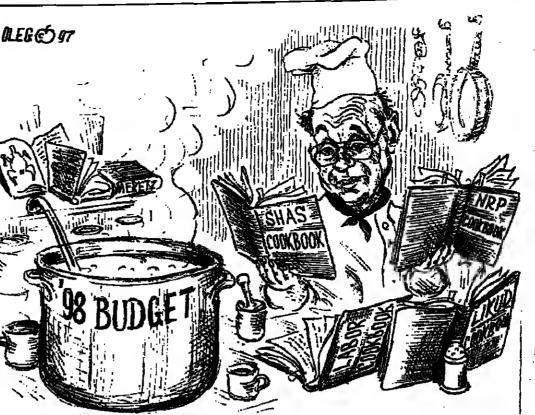
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"First and foremost, anybody -

Thispered reports of an attempted smokescreen by Mossad top brass to hide their responsibility for the fiasco of the botched operation aimed at killing Hamas lynchpin Khaled his exploits are still top-secret. Mashaal in Amman last month are Says Malchin: The Mashaal reaching this column.

Naturally, we have faith in the operation was doomed to failure commitment of the members of the from the outset. Any commander of such an operation would have Clarification Committee to dig out known it the moment the plan was the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth of what happened unveiled to him. Such a commander in the Jordanian capital. This will surely have the right to express despite the dubious blurring which marred such previous official inveshis opinion and refuse to jeopardize tigations into foul-ups of one kind or another in Israel.

One sure guarantee of no such cover-up is the presence on the committee of Dan Tolkowsky, a former air force commander. An engineer, from a strong Zionist background, he will certainly not be moved by post- or neo-Zionist conhis life and of his men unless a difceptions that Jewish patriotism and ferent plan of action be evolved, honor must be sacrificed on the altar of pleasing the gentile world.

Tolkowsky built up the IAF in the 1950s and handled the complexites boles as a large sieve, impractical of remolding the force when it switched to absorbing French-made and clumsy. It would make a junior recruit hlush with shame. It was done in Jordan - a neighboring,

He won the undying devotion of friendly country - but let us put that men of all ranks by always being on aside, as it is a poliocal issue. hand before and after operations.

Soft-spoken, quiet, unlike Ezer Weizman who later took over the even a casual tourist who visits an Arab country - will know that the streets of even a small town, let same role, Tolkowsky thinks before he speaks. When he left the air force alone a major city, always are crowded during the day with people he involved himself in encouraging investment by America and other walking not only on the pavement, foreign countries in Israeli military hut spilling out into the middle of and civilian industries. the road. Driving a car is a haz-His sense of justice encourages us

ardous and slow process. "Who in his right mind would to think that he will not be swayed hy poliocal modves or be moved hy suggest that an operative drive to the scene of an assassination and try efforts on behalf of government, military or security chiefs to hlur the

past, highly experienced operatives

who won their laurels in the field.

WE spoke to Zvi Malchin, perhaps

the most successful of combatants

whose achievements include a key

professional to do it at night. The choice of using a poison liq-**DENNIS EISENBERG** und or gas shows that the planning of the operation gave no thought whatsoever to the consequence of their role in the capture of Adolf Eichmann in Argentina. Many of action. What's wrong with a bullet from a gun fitted with a silencer? Or

an explosive device? "Everyone in Israel is aware that all our Arab neighbors bave invested billions of dollars in gas and chemical weapons of destruction. They are aware that the use of such weapons are outlawed worldwide.

And like a gift from Allah, the Jews have provided Arab leaders with a justification for unleashing these banned means of destruction against Israel. You can hear them explaining, 'The Mossad tried to kill an innocent Arab in Amman with poison, so is it not just for us to use a weapon they themselves employ?" You are handing legitimacy on a golden platter to every Arab tyrant, but in particular to terrorist leaders, to use chemical or gas weapons.

"On a purely technical issue, why was it necessary to send a five or six man team on this operation? The more operatives you send, the higger the danger of being caught. This was basically a one or two man job.

"And wby were genuine Canadian passports used when forged ones would have been just as effective, thus diluting anger from Ottawa?" Danny Yatom shows no sign of resigning which is his only honorable course as holding primary responsibility for the fiasco in Amman. On the contrary, everything points in the direction of hlaming the operatives for suffering some sort of unexpected hlackout at a critical moment.

Binyamin Netanyahu is well aware of the true situation, thus we are baffled at his decision not to fire

Getting personal

LARRY DEFNER

ike, Yossi Sarid, I too miss Yitzhak Shamir. Relatively speaking, that is. No leaser of mine ever alienated me like Shamir did - not Reagan, not Nixon, not LBJ at the height of the Vietnam War. Shamir was Number Que. Then along came Bihi Netajyahu.

What is it about this guy? Netanyahu and his supporters like to think that all the animosity towards him is just sour grapes, that the Left can't reconcile itself to the loss of power. We hear this frequently, more or less hourly.

But I tell you, that's not it. The. Left has been rejected before, quite a few times, and nobody ever managed to work up such a distaste, such a personal antipathy, for Shamir or Menachem Begin like iwe bave for Netanyahu.

What, another personal attack on the prime minister? Yes indeed. You see, this is the point: It's not just his poliocs, it's him It's the man himself.

Not that politics doesn't play the main part in our feelings about Netanyahu: We think he's trashing any chance for peace. And he bas this right-wing worldview that rubs us the wrong

But there are public figures. powerful ones, who are decidedto the right of Netanyahu, and while we on the Left are completely repelled by their politics, we respect them as people of good personal character.

Take Shamir. Say what yon want, he's an bonest man. He treats other people decently. He has basic humility, like most of the rest of us,

The same goes for Benny Begin. And for Uzi Landau. And Limor Livnat. I'm not saying we like these Likudniks. (We do like Benny Begin, though. Everybody likes Benny Begin, except Netanyahu.) It's just that our problem with them is purely

It's not just Netanyahu's politics. It's the man himself

political. Personally, there's no problem.

So it is with the two biggest hawks in the National Religious - Shaul Yahalom and Party Hanan Porat, Hanan Porat, Gush Emunith's man in the Knesset is that right-wing enough for

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NOT JUST THE SEPHARDIM

For example, going through the

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Eban being the exception (that

a toddler), I can add that that Sir, - Susan Hattis Rolef, in her article "Not Just the Sephardim" includes most other immigrants, (October 7) refers to the apology of even those who came out of Zionist Ehud Barak to the early North conviction to help build the coun-African and Moslem immigrants, for the alleged injustices they suffered. She complains that the Labor hists of cahinet ministers and topestablishment was guilty of 'haughty and condescending attithe whole of the Labor reign, one is tude" to anything and anyone who struck by the very few appoint-"diverged from its own norms, culture and ideological beliefs."

Having lived through that period (Barak was not yet born or was just

Sir. - I am replying to Ruthie Blum's excellent article "A bike ride down the middle road" (October 10) on the soul-searching dilemma of Jewish continuity in Israel, I would modestly claim that I have a solution to her anguish. Our housebold is as ardently Zionist and secular as hers, yet our children are being given the

Sir, - I have visited in Israel on and off since the early 1950s. I also subscribe to the belief that if you live in the Diaspora, don't criticize Israel when you don't suffer the consequences.

Having just returned from a holiday in Israel over Succot, I am sad-

dened at the empty beaches, shops

proves the rule, and even be was later excluded from the list of party Jerusalem. **CONTINUITY NICHE** "proper tools, the example and the continuity niche." L for one, will not have to atone education" she is in quest of. The answer is the Tali school

for not providing my kids with the tools, knowledge and respect system. Tali is the Hebrew acronym for "reinforced Jewish which will enable them to choose Education." Run on a pluralisoc. between Zionistic-Hellenism and non-coercive religious creed, my Zionisoc-Judaism. kids are learning Judaism, the religion and way of life that will enable them "to carve their own Kfar Sava. SARA VATILZ

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and restaurants. By any objective as a Conservative/Reform Jew and in a country that carried out assassistandards, the beaches are clean and the weather superb. Israelis are hosnations in friendly neighboring pitable and the food is of an excelcountries? lent international standard. Prices The kindest thing I can say is that compare favourably. your government has lost the script. But, and it's a big but, do I want to DAVID LATTER

spend my money in a country which wishes to deny me my Jewishness Scotland.

FROM OUR ARCHIVES

50 years ago: On October 30, 1947, The Palestine Post reported from London that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, still hoped to prevent the Partition of Palestine. He is understood to have privately expressed the view that Partition would be a disaster for the Anglo-Saxon world. Mr. Bevin had officially denied that statements had been made predicting a period of anarchy in Palestine after the withdrawal of British troops.

In Tel Aviv David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency

Executive, said that Bevin's policy 1972, The Jerusalem Post reported that Minister without Portfolio in the past two years had been to thwart the creation of a Jewish and an Arab State and to perpetuate a Crown Colony regime to serve as a base for the British Army, Navy and Air Force. Speaking to the Arabs, Ben-Gurion paid a warm tribute to an Arab ruler (King Abdillah) who had raised a lone voice for peace and described him and flown to Tripoli. as an experienced statesman, a faithful Arab patriarch who wished

well for his people and his country. hooliganism. 25 years ago: On October 30.

Yisrael Galili bad hitterly denounced the German surrender to Arab terrorists who hijacked a Lufthansa airliner and bargained the lives of 17 passengers and crew for the three surviving Munich massacre murderers jailed in Germany, who were released Police rounded up 80 men and women in the Tel Aviv area in their drive against petty crime and

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and escape in a car? You could use a motorbike, as often used in the true causes of the bungled Mashaal operation. In addition to listening to past. It is fast and people scatter the excuses offered up by senior when you hear the noise coming up Mossad chiefs, the entire committee behind you. "Or better still, the operative should also listen to the words of

could do it on foot. It would be easier to walk or run away. You are lost in the crowd before anyone can hlink or realize what has happened. But a car? That's crazy. Why in broad daylight? Surely it's far more

For a better police force

URIEL LYNN

the appointment of a new police inspector-general is

tradioonally considered a nonevent. How wrong we are. The vision and ability of the inspectorgeneral may affect the quality of our daily life more than any other govemmental appointment, since it touches directly on our security and the security of our property.

While it is true enough that, whenever there are power struggles inside the police, the media delve more than a little into the matter; but there is hardly any discussion or blossoming, while on the highways, breaking the law is the norm. insight regarding the very essence and the propriety of the appoint-ment itself.

If we examine the functioning of the police over the past 20 years, we will soon realize that, aside from the questions of who heads the force and how well, this vital organization has a far more serious problem: the inability to free itself from its own traditional way of operaoing.

In the last two decades, we have had several inspectors-general who either rose from police ranks or who had come from the IDF. A good part of their work was devoted to PR. A few of the inspectors-general were outstanding and truly devoted to their job; one or two even deserve our admiration.

However, during this time we have not seen a significant change in police methods, or a marked improvement in its activities. No real change will occur during Inspector-General-Designate Yehuda Wilk's tenure if he, too, sticks to the old, tradioonal meth-

The measure by which we should evaluate the success of any police force is its ability to reduce crime and the extent of the real protection it provides the public from any unlawful assault on property or life. If we use this yardstick to evaluate our police, it ends up with poor grades. Crime in Israel is not going ence. down, it is definitely going up. True,

his Mossad chief. We feel confident that Tolkowsky, a man of the highest integrity, will at the very least ensure that the truth win out, even if he finds it necessary

to issue a minority report, and that Danny Yatom finally does his duty and quits as a result.

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glancing familiarity with the

truth. He's a user. He radiates conceit. He will win at any cost, and it's not enough that he wins - the other guy has to know that be's been defeated, humiliated. Netanyahu has a way of humiliating people. Even bis wife.

So if anybody is wondering why Netanyahu is so disliked, ask yourself this: What is there to like?

He's not alone, though, on the Left's blacklist. There are others why, for reasons beyond their politics, just put us off instinc-Ovely.

Like Avigdor Lieberman. There's something sinister about him. He's a soft-spoken political hit man. It's not that he's Russian: no other Russian political figure does this to us. It would be the same if he were eighthgeneration Jerusalemite.

Also Tzahi Hanegbi. A cold, ruthless individual. He has an air of menace about bim, which anybody familiar with his history has to be aware of.

Not too far behind Netanyahn. Lieberman and Hanegbi is Ehud Olmert. He comes off as such a sleaze, and his vanity and smugness just hit you in the face. If be runs against Netanyahu for the leadership of the Likud, who exactly are we supposed to root for?

But returning to Netanyabu, there is one thing above all that puts him beyond the pale. We will remind him of it next Tuesday night, November 4, at Kikar Rabin.

He can say what he wants, he can protest his innocence und he's blue in the face, but he led the novement that bears collecove noral guilt for Rabin's murder.

After that, even Prozac wouldn't have helped him. For us on the Left, Netanyahu can never be just a political opponent. With him, it's personal. Totally. How could it be otherwise?

The writer is a Jerusalem Post columnis:

Israel's police force simply does

ed crime. But even if we refer to the boring data of crime against property, such as forcible entry to residenual or commercial property, the protection provided by our police force is poor. The car theft industry is

The concept of crime prevention does not exist for our police force

WHY does the police perform so poorly? Is it because we face the more serious problem of the security of the state? I do not think so.

Events related to internal security during the last 15 years have demonstrated that it is wrong, very wrong, to try and draw a line between personal security and state security.

unsatisfactory performance in fighting crime emanates from the very fact that the police force does not attempt to prevent crime, but only investigates crime after the fact.

Far away from the public eye, inside various police stations, our policemen sit, waiting for us to file charges and then receiving our complaints in a cool manner. Even potential vicoms such as women repeatedly threatened by their husbands or ex-lovers, who desperately need police protection, are treated in a manner that verges on indiffer-

The true answer to the police's

there are new problems facing the police: imported crime. exported hetter. crime, the inevitable crime which any new immigration wave brings. and a more vicious and sophisticat-

not know the meaning of service to the public or what courteous and patient behavior is. To be fair, other government agencies are not much

l prefer not to specify how many policemen are actually out on the streets every night in any of our large cides, trying to protect us from eventual crimes. I once asked an inspector-general in a Knesset Law Committee meeting this question, and the answer would stun even the

The police just does not get to the streets. This is not on its agenda. It is not present at the scene of the crime before it happens. It does not try to deploy its forces in areas where it is really needed, or where everybody knows that more car thefts are bound to occur. The concept of crime prevention does not exist for our police force. It measures itself mainly in terms of its investigative ability.

Yes, the police will be very conspicuous where there is an illegal gathering, demonstrations, or massive clashes - in such places its performance is directly judged by the media. But the police is not mobilized to form an effective presence in the dark corners where hundreds of thousands of crimes are committed every year against property or Derson.

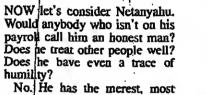
If the future inspector-general and internal security minister aspire to achieve a true improvement in police work and increase uur sense of personal security, they must find a way to move police officers out of their stadons and into the field, transform completely the working culture of this organization, and also educate the police as to how tu treat people who need its protection. This is a formidable task, but is the unly way to have a better police force.

The writer is a former chairman of the Knesset Law Committee

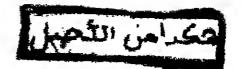
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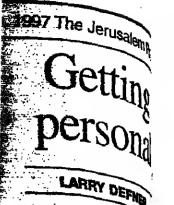
you? He strikes me as a good enough person. I can watch him on TV and eat at the same ome. No problem.







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A culinary celebrity

APPETITE FOR LIFE: The Biography of Julia Child by Noel Riley Fitch. New York, Doubleday. 569pp. \$25.95.

By Erica Marcus

Jolia Child didn't publish the first volume of Mastering the Art of French Cooking until she was 49 years old. The first 48 years of her life gave little indication that she would change the course of American eating and cooking. This presents a problem for Child's biographer, because the story doesn't really pick up steam until around page 200 of this 569-page book. It's slow going as we follow Julia's forebears to the wealthy new community of Pasadona, Calif., as we see her grow up privileged, spirited and - as Fitch never tires of telling us - tall! Julia goes to Wellesley, returns to California, then in 1942 goes to Washington for a job with the OSS - the Office of Strategic Services, the World War II spy agency - that takes her overseas.

When the OSS posts her to India and then to China, things start to get interesting. Even though Fitch has been repeatedly telling us what a singular character Julia is, this is the first time she's actually doing something singular. At 32, she begins to eat seriously, and she meets Paul Child, a sophisticated polymath also stationed in Asia. It takes Paul a while to return our heroine's romantic sentiments: The guileless, gangly and garrulous Julia doesn't conform to his idea of marriage material. Of course, he is won over, and the story of their devoted reletionship, along with Julia's relationship to American eating habits, forms the backbone of the story.

After the war, Paul's job as e cultural officer with the State Department takes the newly married couple to Paris, where Julia meets her destiny. To please Paul, she decides to learn to cook. She's not a natural, but she perseveres and soon discovers that her true metier is not cooking per se, but teaching others to cook. After getting her diploma from the Cordon Bleu in 1952, she founds, along with two Frenchwomen, Simca Beck and Louisette Bertholle, a small cooking school, L'Ecole des Trois Gourmandes. which is geared toward teaching French techniques to visiting American housewives. Eventually the three women decide to collaborate on a cookbook with the same theme. It's a testament to how minor this venture seemed in 1954 that Houghton Mifflin, the original publisher, paid the three women an advance against royalties of \$750.

Although it began as a modest project, the book swelled in pages and ambition to emerge seveo years later as Mastering the Art of French Cooking, published by Alfred A. Knopf. (Houghton Mifflin, upon seeing the mammoth final manuscript, had decided to pass.) If you consider the explosion of interest in cooking and dining one of the signal developments of postwar American culture, then Mastering is one of the most influential books of the cen-



Julia Child: Changed the course of American eating and cooking. (Paul Child)

tury. And Julia really had her work cut out for her. In 1961 you couldn't go to the supermarket and buy fresh asparagus, and most Americans didn't know that you could make mayonnaise from scratch. Rather than beat the public about the face and head with their shorncomings, however, Julia picked a middle road. According to Fitch, her "observations and opinions vacillated between two occasionally contradictory goals: making the recipes practical for the American cook and representing the true and historical recipes and techniques of classic French cooking." It's because Julia got this equation exactly right that she emerged during the '60s and '70s as a towering culinary

figure whose influence ranged far beyond the world of "gourmets." Among the other reasons for her ascension were her frightening candor and ease, her obvious intelligence and wit - and theo there was TV. This hiography serves to remind us of the often overlooked fact that Julia Child was as important to the development of public television as she was to the betterment of American food. In fact, she won PBS's first Emmy.

After her inioal success, Julia's star never dimmed. She worked tirelessly to promote her books, foundations such as The American Institute of Wine and Food, and the idea of food as an essential pleasure to be savored. Yet although Appetite for Life sheds some light on the various food trends of the last four decades and introduces some of the kev figures (James Beard, Jacques Pepin, M.F.K. Fisher, Anne Willan), it is far more concerned with establishing an adoring portrait of Julia than it is with painting a broader canvas of the culinary landscape. This adulatory perspective seems particularly inappropriate when you consider its famously self-deprecating subject.

In the end, Fitch seems to have very little interest in food.She describes an occasion during the writing of the second volume of Mastering when Julia "was not satisfied with the chocolate cake recipe Simca chose ... (She) invited a chemist from Nestle to come for hunch and talk about the chemical composition, cocoa butter content and melting methods of their chocolate. ... She worked and reworked the directions herself." Great! But what was the problem with the recipe? How did Julia solve in? What did the final cake taste like?

Written by an author who loved to cook as much as she worshiped Julia Child, Appetite for Life could have been to American food what Robert Caro's The Power Broker is to New York City. But theo again, it's a lot easier to write nice things about Julia than about Robert Moses. In fact, it's hard to think of a modern figure so worthy of worship as Julia Child. She achieved fame oot by hitching her wagon to some obviously rising star, but by being devoted to and passionate about a pursuit that, at the time, no one really cared a whit about.

As a culinary celebrity, she spurned endorsements and vigorously promoted scores of chefs whom a lesser figure would have viewed as competition.

If readers finish Appetite for Life as I did, bungering for more hard-core food-talk, then I advise them to take down their batter-stained copy of Mastering the Art of French Cooking and read the final words of Julia's preface. Even without the audio, her voice is inimitable; "Train yourself to use your hands and fingers: They are wonderful instruments. Train yourself also to handle hot foods; this will save time. Keep your knives sharp. Above all, have a good time."

(Newsday)

Hidden talent

SEPHARDIC-AMERICAN VOICES: Two Hundred Years of a Literary Legacy edited by Diane Matza. Hanover, NH, University Press of New England. 363 pp. \$49.95.

By Jennie Tarabulus

this unique anthology introduces 15 authors representing American Sephardi writers. Nearly all are professors, teachers, freelancers whose publications appear in regional and national magazines and books, some winners of bierary awards. One contributor interviewed by the editor expressed surprise so many other writers like him were publishing. The term Sephardim in its broad-

est sense refers to those who trace their ancestry to Spanish, Romaniote (Greek) and Middle Eastern Jews. Writers in this anthology harbor followays and mores from countries as diverse as Ecuador, Syria, Cuba, and Greece; their two common languages are Arabic and Ladino.

Who are they? Most were American born, others were taken there as children. Jordan Elgrably, for example, was born in Paris and taken by his Moroccan parents to Los Angeles, Excerpts from his. upcoming oovel Stranger in an Island, about an Ashkenazi journalist and Sephardi photographer covering the Lebanese war, are fascinating. He is featured in Best Writers at Work 1994.

Fewer than 70,000 Sephardim immigrated to America between 1880 and 1924, less than 5 percent of American Jews. Unlike Eastern European immigrants who read or knew of great Yiddish writers. Sephardim lacked an equally great Judeo-Spanish literature, The crumbling Ottoman Empire, vividly described by Leon Sciaky in selections from Farewell to Salonica, disassembled ethnic minorities, Muslim, Christian and Jewish, Some Sephardim who emigrated were illiterate; others, though proud of their ancient culture, lacked the ability or urge to record it. Largely unknown, they were a minority within a minority existing on the margins of Jewish and American life.

When Matza, an English professor and second generation Sephardi of Greek heritage, began researching American Sephardi literature, believing it did not match the Ashkenazi output of memoirs, fiction, and poetry, she was astonished to discover first generation. American Sephardim actively

Penina Moise (1797-1880), a religious poet who also wrote for Godey's Lady's Book. More familiar to us are Emma Lazarus (1849-1887) and Robert G. Nathan (1894-1985), author of the enormously popular Portrait of Jenny. Although they were assimilated and cultural and social insiders on the American scene, their poetry, published here, defines them as con-cerned Jews. Matza ends her anthology with Elgrably, who was born in the 1950s. The six categories include one of writers dealing with the Holocaust, a reminder that 90 percent of Greek Sephardim perished in the Nazi camps. Primo Levi was the

engaged in similar literary creativity.

Her book opens with six writers,

descendants of the earliest Sephardi

settlers in America. The first was

first to offer a glimpse of the dev-astating isolation felt in the camps by these non-Yiddish-speaking Jews. Dramatizing this period are Rebecca Cambi Fromer's play, Ivanov Reyez's poem, parts of Stanley Sultan's surealistic novel Rabbi. Another category features nostalgic pieces. Ammiel Alcalay, Boston-born professor of Oriental languages, writes a remembrance poem for Dan Pagis and a delightful 24-sentence chronicle of his stay in Jerusalem's Nahlaot. Then out of hiding emerge crypto-Jews from Jamaica and Mexico in a play by Rena Varon Down, a TV and screen writer-director who highlights the chilling choice of Jews whose conversion to

Christianity during the Inquisition still burdens their Marrano descendants with double identity.

Although hardly organized as Sephardi writers, it appears that subtle commonalities exist among them, be they colonial descendants or later immigrants. "[The] distinctiveness of Sephardic literature," says the editor, "is found primarily in its cosmopolitanism, the confidence of its women writers, and the continuing examination by both men and women of their patriarchial culture." Somewhat exasperated, she deplotes a popular conception that American Jewish writers are all of Ashkenazi origin. Yet who except Sephardim recognize as Jewish such Latin names as Del Bourgo, Adatto, Perera, Castro, Reyez, who are some of the contributors here. Do these

writers care? Matza does. Her preface and introduction to each group of writers are highly readable. She descrives thanks for publishing this anthology, the first of its kind.

COD: A² Biography of the Fish That Changed the World by Mark Kurlansky, Walker, 294 pp. \$21.

By Bill Roorbach -- Wark Kurlansky subtitles his

by-catch of shrimp, is in danger of commercial extinction in the Gulf of Mexico. Peru is losing its anchovy population. Pollock is vanishing

from Russia's Sea of Okhotsk." And so forth. As the fish species diminish, the many species of birds d mammals that depend on them

populations. Kurlansky traces the history of

cod fishing from the time secretive Basque fishermen 1,000 years ago traveled all the way to the coast of New England, having learned that cod could be salted, kept indefinitely and shipped to markets any-

sent. Kurlansky has talked to scientists, bureancrats, fishermen, poets, cooks. All are agreed: The cod are goners. Unless.

There's a mixed message throughout Cod, almost of necessity. The author admires (as we all do)

the fisherman, and not only the fish-

Cod and the history of the world

way of life is now at an end, except where subsidized by governments, as in Canada. Mothers cry now in Gloucester, Mass., when they hear their sons want to fish.

Kurlansky has shown that cod and cod fishing shaped and foretold the history of the world. And if we don't

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Able and engaging book about the almighty cod, "A Biography of the Fish That Changed the World." But it might more aptly be said that the world changed the fish: The once enormous cod fishery has been all but wiped out.

And cod aren't alone. Kurlansky writes, "Overfishing is a growing global problem. About 60 percent of the fish types tracked by the Food and Agriculture Organization for the United Nations are categorized as fully exploited, overexploited or depleted. The US Atlantic coast has witnessed a dramatic décline in the bluefin tuna population Mid-Atlantic swordfish stocks are diminishing. Conch and redfish are vanishing from the

Caribbean. Red snapper, which is a

diminish as well. The problem is overfishing certainly, but overfishing occurs because of overdemand. And overdemand, ladies and gentlemen, occurs because of overpopulation, human.

Kurlansky portrays several gallant fishermen who are convinced that the cod stocks - brought to commercial extinction in only the last 10 years after 1,000 balanced years of human consumption - will come back.

But they'll come back to ever larger human population, and therefore ever larger human appetite; they'll come back to disaster.

Nothing can sustain cod and other animal populations, nothing can sustain the world as we know it, nothing except control of human

where. Cod brought wealth to the Basques, to England, then to New England, to Canada, to Spain.

Cod had a role in the slave trade. Cod was money, once dried. Cod liver oil was thought to have saved the health of England's children during World War II. Cod had a role in the invention of frozen foods.

Cod started a series of steely nerved wars between Britain and Iceland. (Iceland won, a David cutting Goliath's nets at high sea.) Iceland, now that we mention it, was brought from a near stone-age economy and into the present rapacious global economy by ... cod.

The close focus on cod makes of this compact book a kind of lens on human history. And it turns, finally, a sharp, burning beam on the pre-

erman in his generation but all the fishermen who came before him and all those who will come after. handing down growing knowledge of the sea and of ships and of fish. But it's the fisherman whose clevemess and continual search for more

productive equipment and machinery has wiped out his own trade. Fishermen blame regulators (perhaps rightly). Whole fishing towns are in denial.

Kurlansky devotes many pages to recipes for cod and salt cod, e rueful cookbook if ever there was one: The main ingrodient is missing, big time. In the end the book stands as a kind of elegy, a loving eulogy not

only to a fish, but to the people whose lives have been shaped by the habits of the fish, and whose

Non-fiction

1. Diana: Her True Story - In

\$22.95.) An updated, expanded version of the 1992 bestseller

2. The Royals by Kitty Kelley. (Warner S27.) Gossip about the

private lives of the House of

3. Anoela's Ashes by Frank

American recalls his childhood

amid the miseries of Limerick.

4. The Man Who Listens to

Horses by Monty Roberts.

(Random House S23.) The

memoirs of a horse trainer.

5. The Perfect Storm by

Sebastian Junger, (Norton \$23,95.) An account of the

6. Into Thin Air by Jon Krakauer.

(Villard S24.95.) An account of the

ascent of Mount Everest in 1996,

the deadliest season in history.

7. Midnight In the Garden of

8. Tuesdays with Morrie by

Good and Evil by John Berendt (Random House \$23.) The

mysterious death of a young man

Mitch Albom. (Doubleday S19.95.)

A sportswriter tells of his weekly visits to his old college mentor, who was near death's door.

9. Conversations with God:

(Putnam \$19.95.) The author

addresses questions of itle and love, good and evil, guilt and sin.

10. Book by Whoopi Goldberg.

(Weisbach/Morrow S22.) Twenty-tive essays on a vanety of subjects

Book 1 by Neale Donald Walsch.

nor'easter of 1991.

in Savannah, Ga

by the comedian.

McCourt (Scribner S24.) An Irish-

Windsor.

Her Own Words by Andrew Morton, (Simon & Schuster

about the Princess of Wales.

all take heed and learn the lesson implicit in this book. Kurlansky's Cod may turn out to be a eulogy for us all In his words: "Man wants to see

nature and evolution as separate from human activities. There is the natural world, and there is man. But man also belongs to the natural world. If he is a ferocious predator, that too is a part of evolution. If cod and haddock and other species cannot survive because man kills them, something more adaptable will take their place. Nature, the ultimate pragmatist, doggedly searches for something that works. But as the cockroach demonstrates, what works best in nature does not always appeal to us." (Newsday)

	TZKY'S PAPERBACKS
1. Silent Honor by Danielle	6. Thirteenth Hour by
Steel. Dell, Corgi.	Barbara Sofer. Signet.
2. Critical Judgment by	7. Veritas by William
Michael Palmer. Bantam.	Leshner, Harper.
3. God of Small Things by	8. Sabre by James Follett.
Arundhati Roy. Flamingo.	Mandarin.
4. Sole Survivor by Dean Koontz. Ballantine,	9. Ramses: Son of Light by Christian Jacq. Warner.
 Mistress of Spices by Chitra B, Divakaruni. 	10. Silent Witness by

Richard North Patterson. Ballantine, Arrow.

BOOK BYTES

Termann Arndt, 76, resident of the tiny English village of Woodbury for the last 12 years, is the sort of man spoken of as "a good neighbor." He gardens, reads shelves of books, and drives invalids to hospital in his own car. Yes, he has a strong German accent. And in the words of one acquaintance, "he has a very good way with silence which makes you want to fill it" But none of Arndt's neighbors ever suspected that he was a member of the Israeli team that captured Adolf Eichmann in 1960. Operation Eichmann (Arms and Armour) is Amdt's version of the Mossad operation that brought one of Adolf Hitler's closest henchmen to justice.

Amdt broke his cover because, he says, "it was my duty to tell the truth. So many [other] books [on Eichmann's capture] were rubbishtotal rubbish." Trained by the British army and the CIA in nonviolent interrogating techniques, Amdt was the Mossad's chief interrogator at the time. He also drove the car that was used to snatch Eichmann outside his Buenos Aires home.

Following the Eichmann affair, Andt served at the Mossad's Panis office, and eventually took early retirement in 1970. He went around the world as a sailor, worked as a banker in China, and then joined El Al. He took up the quiet life in Woodbury with his second wife to escape "the horrors he had known." Anodt says: "I wouldn't go back to Israel now. It's become uncivilized - they torune prisoners."

A NEW BOOK of manly advice is sweeping America. The Big Damn Book of Sheer Manliness tells real makes about tying "woolly bugger" fishing flies, and cooking up pots of "colon-cleaner chilli." It also reminds the masculine sex of a better time when actress Vera Miles said: "Men were men and women

were grateful." Observers of the current American score suggest that the author-brothers Todd and Brant von Hoffman are riding high on a wave of backlash against political correctness, women's rights and ethnic empowerment. The von Hoffmans, however, are actually quite bewildered by the success of their manly exploit. After all, they sent their book proposal to a publisher friend in a cigar box with a bottle of tequila.

THE SUICIDE of his younger brother moved British advertising executive Geoffrey Lundquist, 44, to write Father Christmas and the Missing Reindeer (HarperCollins), a children's story. "Immediately after the funeral," said Geoffrey. "I drove my family to Italy. We were crying for 1,000 miles." While sitting on top of a mountain, alone, thinking, Lundquist recalled the joy of the Christmases he and his brother had had as children in Manchester. That's when the idea for the story came into his head. Back home, he wrote the 5,000word children's book, finishing on his brother's birthday.

The storyline is about a little boy who helps Father Christmas find a missing reindeer just in time, 10 deliver all his presents. The book is being scripted for an animated television film. Also, Lundquist has been contracted to write a series of 10 more children's books.

DAVID FLUSFEDER'S Like Plastic (Cape) has won Britain's £7,500 Encore Award for a best second novel. The book, a Jewish famihy saga characterized as "imaginative, absurd, comic, touching and exciting," was the judges' unanimous choice. Flusfeder's first novel, Man Kills Woman (Secker & Warburg), was an idiosyncratic thriller mystery.

David Brauner

HARDCOVER Fiction

1. Cold Mountain by Charles Frazier. (Atlantic Monthly \$24.) A wounded Confederate soldier journeys home to meet an old love.

2. Flood Tide by Cive Cussier. (Simon & Schuster \$26.) Dirk Pitt in pursuit of e notorious Chinese smuggler at work in the US.

3. Violin by Ann Rice (Knopf \$25.95.) From 19th-century Vienna to present-day New Orleans: e demonic fiddler preys upon e woman who loves his music.

4. The Angel of Darkness by Caleb Carr. (Random House \$25.95.) Dr. Kreizler pursues a kichapper in 1897 Manhattan.

5. 10 Lb. Penalty by Dick Francis. (Putnam \$24.95.) A politician's career is imperiled by actions taken by his enemies against his son, a onetime amateur jockey.

6. The Best Laid Plans by Sidney Sheldon. (Morrow \$25.) The relationship between a powerhungry governor and a woman datermined to wreak revenge.

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Analysts: Crisis in Asian markets may fuel TASE investments

By DAN GERSTENFELD and JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

The recent decline of the Asian stock markets may lead to increased investments by foreign investors in the Israeli stock market, as local companies won't be affected by the Asian financial crisis, analysts said. The decline in the Asian markets has increased the relative weight

of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange in International Finance Corporation index from 1.7 per-

cent to 2.3% as it stands to be included in the emerging market index on November 1.

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The inclusion of Israel in the IFC index gives foreign investors legitimacy to invest in Israel. Moreover, funds which hold bundreds of millions of dollars, will have to invest in the TASE," said Yossi Levi, managing director of Eyal Securities.

He added that Israel is considered by American analysts to be one of the most attractive equity kets more attractive. markets among the emerging mar-

kets. "In some interviews on American television commentalors mentioned Israel and South Africa as good investment opportunities. We have to remember that Israel is usually compared with countries such as Malaysia. Turkey, Lebanon and Cyprus, and those markets are less attractive." Yoav Kawelblum, senior investment manager at Epsilon Securities, said the fact that most of the emerging markets are in South East Asia will make other regional stock mar-

"The Asian markets are connected to each other and when the markets there are so volatile it's normal for investors to look for other investment opportunities," he said

Kawelblum also thinks that Israel companies have another advantage because "Most of the commercial activity of local companies is with the US and Europe and the majority of Israeli companies won't be hurt by the Asian crisis."

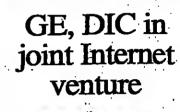
However, some analysts said the troubles in Asia will not result in positive fallout in the Israeli marketolace.

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"I wouldn't bank on a massive inflow of money into the Israeli market," said Keith Philips of Societe Generale Strauss Tumbull Securities in London. "People who were hurt in one emerging market may not be looking to go into another emerging market." Similarly, Israel's inclusion in the IFC index is not likely to cause major increases in investments, but it will "give an impetus for direct money to come in," Philips said.



By JENNEFER FREDLIN

GE Information Services, a sub-sidiary of General Electric, and Discount Investment Corporation, a subsidiary of the IDB Holding Group, yesterday announced the establishment of an electronic commerce joint venture.

The new company, Tradanct Electronic Commerce Services,

"This is part of our strategy to be involved in software technology, non-banking activities," said DIC managing director Dov Tadmor. "We see this project as a bridge between the two."

Several months ago, DIC and London's Mondex announced plans to begin distributing electronic smart cards in early, 1998. GE invested "a few million dol-

lars" in the Tradanet project and will supply its Electronic Data Interchange platform to the com-pany, Tadmor said. About 100,000 companies lise EDI worldwide.

Tadmor said that the deal signals GE's commitment to and belief in the Israeli market. .

This is significant because it shows that companies like GE want to be invested in Israel because they see Israel as being technologically

sophisticated," be said. Discount is one of Israel's leading holding companies for investin retailing electronics

communications, real estate and

Greenspan sees US growth slowing, expansion continuing

Federal Reserve seen as unlikely to raise interest rates

By MICHAEL MCKEE

The recent drop in US equity markets "will tend to dampen" the "unsustainable pace" of US job creation and that should keep the economy growing. Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan

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said vesterday "Provided the decline in financial markets does not cumulate, it is quite conceivable that a few years hence we will look back at this episode as we now look back at the 1987 crash, as a salutary event in terms of its implications for the macroeconomy," Greenspan said in testimony to the Joint Economic Committee of Congress. While the currency crisis in Southeast Asia and the declines in

"do have some direct effects on US corporate earnings," US markets would have dropped anyway, he said.

would have been the proximate cause for a re-evaluation; Greenspan said.

remarks soften concerns he expressed earlier this month to Congress that the US economy may be growing too fast and that equity prices may not reflect the underlying values of their compa-

US Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan testifies yesterday before the Joint Economic Committee in Washington. (AP) Greenspan issued his customary American economy.

months. By itself, though, it is not enough to close the gap between demand for labor and its supply, he said. Greenspan and his fellow members of the Fed's policymaking Open Market Committee next meet on November 12. In March they raised the federal funds rate on overnight loans

between banks by a quarter point to 5.50 percent. Since then, they have met four times and left borrowing costs unchanged.

have picked up" in the last six

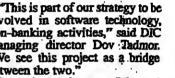
Although US corporations will be affected by the turmoil in Asia, the direct impact of these developments on the American economy has been modest," he said.

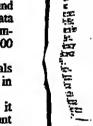
Greenspan has repeatedly raised. a red flag about equity prices since he first asked rhetorically last December about the consequences of "irrational exuberance" among investors.

His concern was quite clear in an October 8 appearance before the House Budget Committee, where he said, "financial markets seem to have priced in an optimistic outlook characterized by a significant reduction in risk and an increasingly benevolent inflation process.

Because of that, the Fed chairman said at that time, stock pricecarnings multiples are at levels stage o

will provide the local market with electronic commerce technologies and services, which allow companies to conduct business-to-business transactions electronically via the Internet.





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Deita to sell Egyptian rugs to Marks & Spencer

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Delta Galil-Industries yesterday said that it will begin market-Oriental Weavers, one of the largest rug manufacturers worldwide, will sell the rugs to the British retailer, which is currently featuring the floor coverings in its fall "Home" catalogue. Delta expects sales of the rugs to total between \$3-\$4 million in 1998. Jennifer Friedlin

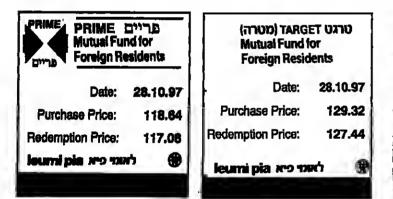
Electronics industry said to face tough times

The electronics industry needs an additional \$150 million for research and development if it is to meet its target of doubling e next five years, Israel Asher ad or the elec tronics division of the Manufacturers Division said yesterday. The government already has allocated \$300m. for research and development in 1998. Electronics exports are expected to total \$5.7 billion in 1997. Jennifer Friedlin

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The Fed chairman's latest





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Bids are invited for the provision of international communications services for government agencies, situated throughout the country.

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Pre-conditions for participation in the tender: Bidders must have a Ministry of Communications license for the provision of communications services of the above types.

A complete copy of the license should be attached to the bid.

A bank guarantee should be attached to each bid for the provision of a service. The guarantee should be linked to the index of consumer prices, and should be valid for 120 days from the last date for submitting bids.

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No undertaking is given to accept any bid - in its entirety or parts thereof. The Ministry may cancel the tender or issue a new tender, without giving any reason. The bidder must undertake to provide the service, at the prices he gives, from January 1, 1998.

The agreement signed with the successful bidder or bidders will be for a period of two years, with an option to extend for an additional year, at the discretion of the

The last date for submitting bids is Sunday, November 30, 1997, at 12 noon. Applications for the tender documents should be made by fax only, to 02-5317778, giving the following information:

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Greenspan's testimony comes in the midst of one of the most turbu-

lent periods ever for world financial markets and suggests the Fed may not see the need to raise US inflation. borrowing costs in the near future to slow the economy and forestall accelerating inflation.

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afford" to be complacent about However, he said, "there is much that is encouraging about the recent performance of the

warning that the Fed "cannot Growth, be said, "appears to have remained robust and inflation low, and even falling, despite an ever-tightening labor pool." Productivity growth, which leads to higher earnings, "does appear to

economic expansion." What's more, he said "it would clearly be unrealistic to look for a continuation of stock market gains of anything like the magnitude of those recorded in the past couple of years.'

(Bloomberg husiness news)

Tradanet is to open in November and will start operating in the first half of next year. The company is expected to employ 20-25 people in its first

stage of operations.

other fields.

US companies seen as winners after Clinton-Jiang summit discussions

By DINA TEMPLE-RASTON

China. WASHINGTON - The hig win-Clinton also will lift other export ners in yesterday's summit between Chinese President Jiang Zemin and US President Bill Clinton will be US companies -Westinghouse Electric Corp. and General Electric Co. in particular - when Clinton announces his intention to lift a 10-year-old ban

controls that keep United Technologies Corp.'s Sikorsky aircraft division from exporting parts to China and Sun Microsystems Inc. from selling it

on nuclear component exports to

Still in question is whether

supercomputers. Even so, Clinton's decision to certify US nuclear components for export to China is indicative of just how much, for the first time in recent memory. US and Chinese political interests coincide.

Clinton is looking for new export markets to keep the US economy humming. And Jiang, having just closed a Communist Party Congress aimed at consolidating his power after the death of Deng Xiaoping, has come to the realization that his political survival depends on delivering eco-nomic prosperity to the Chinese people

The US can help Jiang do that with foreign investment and expertise.

Jiang is expected to announce today that the Chinese will end missile sales to Iran, the last hurdle China had to vault for Clinton to ask Congress to certify it as a non-proliferating nation.

Together, the moves are aimed at ending the rancor between the two countries over nuclear proliferation and turning the page on the 1989 Tiananmen Square crackdown on student dissenters that soured Sino-US relations.

In a two-hour informal discussion at the White House last night. Jiang and Clinton discussed human rights. Tibet and other long-standing irritants in US-Sino diplomacy.

The two leaders agreed to set up a round-the-clock hot line between their capitals to facilitate more communication.

They didn't reach any conclu-sion on the human rights issues, White House spokesman Anne Luzzatto said, and kept the discussion more philosophical.

The last time the two leaders met face-to-face, in Manila during

the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation meeting. in November of last year, Jiang confined himself to prepared remarks and Clinton wouldn't smile for the cameras.

While the Clinton-Jiang courtship is new, many US businesses have been courting the Chinese aggressively all along. Ford Motor Co., for example, signed a joint engine manufacturing contract with Chinese automaker YMGC last week, and Boeing Co. is expected to get its latest order, for at least \$1.7 billion in planes, this week. Generally, US companies expect the Clinton-Jiang summit to improve the environment for US businesses in China.

"This meeting is good for any US company trying to business in China. The stronger the relationship gets the better it is for business," said Robert Newman, president of ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd.'s Connecticut-based nuclear systems unit.

(Bloomberg Business News)

Foreign drug company's protest the expected repeal of patent law

Foreign pharmaceutical compa- Patents Law to the Knesset this in Israel. nies and diplomats yesterday expressed their disapproval of the Knesset's expected repeal of the current patent law.

The current law forbids Israeli generic drug companies from experimenting on drugs until the patent on those drugs expires.

This gives foreign companies a head start, since no such patent law exists in both the US and Europe.

"The European Union takes a grave view of the submission of the bill for the amendment of the

week," a European diplomat said

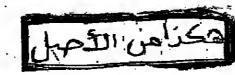
The bill for the amendment of the Patents Law was submitted to the Knesset for approval on Monday.

A delegation of representatives of pharmaceutical firms from the European Union and the US met this week with Finance Minister Yaakov Neeman and told him that enactment of the amendment to the Patents Law will cause foreign companies to refrain from investing in research and development

The delegation included representatives of NSD, Neopharm and Glazo.

The delegation members also will meet with the minister of trade and industry and the justice minister, in an effort to alter the decision regarding the amendment.

US congressman and representatives previously appealed to the Knesset to repeal the law, saying that sncb a law prohibits the speedy arrival of new and cheaper drugs to the marketplace. (Globes News Service)



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Israel shares jumped yesterday after Wall Street rebounded. Tel Aviv's rise comes a day after Israeli stocks posted their worst showing in more than three years, following worldwide equity index

declines. The Maof Index of 25 top stocks advanced 7.4 percent to 295.86. The Mishtanim Index gained 8 percent to 286.88. The Tel Aviv Continuous Trading Index of 45 issues rose 10.52% to 98.27. The rises in Tel Aviv were led by Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., up 6.5 percent, Bank Hapoalim Ltd., up 9 percent,

state-controlled telecommunications provider Bezeq, up 7.25 percent, holding company Koor Industries Ltd., up 7.5 percent, and software house Formula Systems Ltd., up 18.9 perceot. "World markets are still volatile and dangerous," said Idan Azoulay, portfolio manager at Impact Securities, a subsidiary of

Union Bank of Israel. Investors in Tel Aviv "will continue to follow Wall Street," he said, "This shake in the market is only two days old," and the worst is probably over," said Mark Meiras,

managing director at Pacific Mediterranean Securities in Herzliya. "Are we going to see a

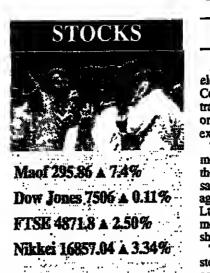
But it won't happen in a day."Rather, it'll take "a period of many weeks," he said. "Small investors are now thinking twice"about their investments in mutual funds, which have largely driven stocks to highs, he said.

Europe

UK stocks rose, extending gains after US Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan said Monday's market slump will help expansion continue in the US, giving investors more reason to buy equities.

Greenspan said the recent drop in US equity markets "will tend to damp" the "unsustainable pace" of US job creation and that should keep the ecooomy growing. "Provided the decline in financial markets does not cumulate, it is quite conceivable that a few years hence we will look back at this episode as we now look back at the 1987 crash, as a salutary event in terms of its implicadons for the macroeconomy," said Greenspan. The FTSE 100 Index rose 116.4

points, or 2.5 percent, to 4871.8, led by companies that make a significant portion of their profit in the US, such as Glaxo Wellcome Plc. The index rose throughout the day as gains in the US and Asia boosted stocks, erasing yes-



terday's record declines.

"We've had a good run and the US is edging up as well," said Robert Buckland, a UK equity strategist at HSBC James Capel in London. "I like to see Alan Greenspan shooting warning shots across the bows of the markets."

The broader FTSE 250 Index rose 139.7 points to 4668.1, led by Pentland Ple. while the Actuaries 350 Index, a combination of the other two, climbed 59 points to 2355.4.

"We've seen a restoration of confidence. A lot hinges on Wall Street," said John Lomax, a European equity analyst at BZW in London.

Asia

Japanese stocks surged, led by electronics exporters such as TDK Corp., after Wall Street's record trading affirmed that the US economy - on which Japanese exporters depend - is still robust. "Overseas markets were getting most of the blame Tuesday; now they deserve most of the credit," said Paul Migliorato, senior manager in Jardine Fleming Securities Ltd.'s institutional sales department. "Conviction has a very short shelf life in Japan." The benchmark Nikkei 225

stock average rose 544.93 points, or 3.34 percent, to 16,857.04 - its biggest one-day increase since May 6. The Topix index of all shares on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange gained 43.68 points, or 3.46 percent, to 1303.79. Nikkei 225 index futures traded in Osaka rose 580 to 16,840; those traded in

Singapore rose 570 to 16,845. An estimated 446 million share traded on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, surpasing the six-month daily average of 396 million shares.

Technology issues gained after the Nasdaq Composite Indexs first hillion-share trading session fueled optimism about growth in the computer industry.

"High hs and telecommunications athe only areas we know will conthe to grow in Japan," said Takhi Yamaguchi, fund manager faiyo Investment Trust & Managent which handles 1.5 trillion ye \$12.4 billion) in secu-(Bloomberg) ritics.

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Wal Street

NEW YCK (AP) - Stocks finished mixeyesterday, giving up blg gains fin early in the day as investors clee to take profits on the market recent historic drive. The Dow mes industrial average finished 835 points higher at ,506.67, don significantly from the 123-pointily in early trading. Broad-marie indexes also weakened throghout the day, with the Nasda composite index and the Standai and Poor's 500 list crasing earlyhighs to end the day in negative mitory.

Trading was calm yesterday compared to day past. Pacifying the US markets as a turnaround overnight in Asia and European. financial market where turmoil in recent days hs depressed US stocks. Also caning the stock market was FedChairman Alan Greenspan's istimony to Congress, where h said the recent wild gyrations in the stock market. could have a long-in benefit.

Dollar slips after Greenspan rules out rate hike

The dollar slipped against the mark in Europe yesterday, after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan suggested the US economy isn't heating up enough to justify higher interest rates. Greenspan, in testimony to the

Joint Economie Committee of Congress, said the economy appears to have remained robust and inflatioo low, and even falling, despite an ever-tightening labor pool."

Meanwhile, official German interest rates are expected to rise in the months ahead to bring them eloser to higher rates elsewhere in Europe before the start of the planned single currency.

"Greenspan's damping expectations of a Fed tightening," said Earl Johnson, international economist at Bank of Mootreal in Chicago. "Weighed against the argument that Germany will have to raise rates in coming months, the dollar's going to bave a tough time elimbing against the mark." The dollar slipped to 1.7335 late

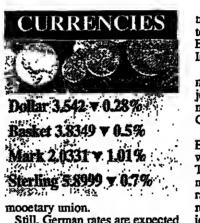
in London, after reaching as high as 1.7478 marks in Asia. It was at 120.67 yen, up from 119.80 late Tuesday.

The dollar got a boost Tuesday in New York after the Dow Jones Industrial Average bounced back from Mooday's rout, boosting demand for the US currency.

The dollar also briefly exteoded its gains after Bundesbank Presideot Hans Tietmeyer doused coocern about aggressive interest-rate increases ahead of Europe's planned economie and

expensive to buy in local money.

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Still, German rates are expected to rise, though at a slower pace than previously thought. "We're looking for dollar-yeo at 120 and dollar-mark at 1.74, or just below, given the prospect that if any cen-

ral bank moves on rates it's gong to he Germany," said Keth Edmonds, chief analyst at BJ International

Tietmeyer said he hopes moley market rates in those counties joining Europe's economic ind monetary union will fall to bw German levels.

"He has to say that," aid Edmonds. "No central barter wants higher interest rates perse. The lowest possible level doen't mean 3.3 percent; it will mea a rate slightly lower than the gr-rent European average, hut sigificantly above current German

rates." In his testimony, Greeosph reinforced the view that growth remains steady, while inflatioo isn't overbeating. H

also addressed econonic woes in Asia, which are seen cimping US exports to the region and helping contain US inflation.

The dive in atocksduring the last two, weeks shuld also helped temper Greensma's recent warning that inflation may pick up if growth continuesat its carrent pace.

"Those who have woned bout overheating and inflation should be soothed by the implications of Southeast Asia," said Sonja Gibbs, an economist at Nomira International

A report Tuesday that employment costs rose 0.8 percent in the US in the third quarter, left intact expectations the Fed will keep a steady hand on interst rates for now. Bloomberg



ABA COMPUTER SYSTEMS LIMITED Precious metals

Foreign financial data courtesy of

Spot gold traded \$2.30 lower at \$316,25 an ounce. Palladium rose as demand for

the future.

COMMODITIES

lowest level since March, leaving struction industry and manufacrefiners with fuller crude tanks. Ir turers. Three month copper the American midwest, the increased \$39 to \$2,030 a ton. American Petroleum Industry said Zinc rose in London. Pasminco stockpiles of heating oil and other Ltd., an Australian lead and zinc distillates fell 4.5% as cold weath- mining company, said the expecter reached the region for the first ed slowdown in growth in southtime this season. east Asian economics is inlikely December Brent crude oil on the to have a hig impact on the com-International Petroleum Exchange pany eveo though demand for its rose 28 cents to \$19.71 a barrel. metals will drop. Pasminco said it can sell its zinc and lead in other regions. Three-month zinc was up Others \$21 to \$1,260. Aluminum prices rose in Copper rose as a gain in US London. Aluminum pared losses stocks reduced the risk that global of the past week, as traders bet that economic growth and demand for turmoil in equity markets won't the metal will drop. The US econ- dent global economic growth or omy remains healthy, boding well metals demand. Aluminum for for copper demand, because the three month delivery rose \$20 to metal is widely used by the con- \$1,619 a ton. (Bloomberg) US bonds rise on Greenspan statement

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Gold fell yesterday amid sluggish demand in southeast Asia and as global stock markets began to recover from the recent turmoil. Gold is sometimes used as a safe haven for investors at times of financial turmoil. Global equity markets plunged

in recent days amid concerns about slowing growth in southeast Asia and worry that other markets, particularly the US, may be overvalued, analysts said. Now that global equity markets are rebounding, there is less need for

holding gold. The continuing currency crisis in southeast Asia is were shown 1.7 percent higher by also making the precious metal a key industry report, because

the precious metal remained robust at a time when concern persists about Russian supplies. Although Russia, the world's Gold \$313.25 ¥ 3.1% main supplier of palladium, has been regularly delivering the Crude Oil \$19.8 A 0.37

metal in recent months, concerns persist over the level of its stockpiles and its ability to supply in

Brent crude futures in Londoo rose even as US crude supplies

marketers expected the gains and now anticipate rising heating fuel demand. The rise in inventories came as US refiners processed less as a result of declining profits

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to be made in manufacturing oil products in the past two weeks. Refinery utilization fell to the

The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond rose 27/32, or US bonds rallied after Federal Chairman Alan Reserve

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Pound starting (£100,000)	5.250	5.375	5.750
German mark (DM 200,000)	1.750	1.876	2.375
Swiss franc (SF 200,000)	0.000	0.125	0.500
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German mark	2.0221	2.0548	1.98	2.09	2.0331
Pound sterling	5.8640	5.9586	5,76	6.05	5,8999
French franc	0,6036	0.6134	0.59	0.63	0.6069
Japanese yen (100)	2.9177	2.9648	2.86	3.01	2.9384
Dutch florin	1.7936	1,8226	1,76	1.85	1.8028
Swiss franc	2.4643	2.5041	2.42	2.54	2.4761
Swedish krona	0.4678	0.4754	0.45	0.49	0,4704
Norwegian krone	0.4984	0.5065	0.48	0.52	0.5018
. Danish krone	0.5311	0.5397	0,52	0.55	0.5340
Finnish mark	0.6749	0.6858	0.66	0.70	0.6782
Canadian dollar	2.5089	2.5494	2.48	2.59	2.5295
Australian dollar	2.4815	2.5218	2.43	2.55	2,4920
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Belgian franc (10)	0.9807	0.9966	0.96	1.02	0.9853
Austrian schilling (10)	2.8734	2.9198	2.62	2.97	2.8885
Italian line (1000)	2.0654	2.0988	2.03	2.13	2.0738
Jordanian dinar	4,9582	5.0382	4.89	5.23	4.9765
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Greenspan offered reassuring words about the economy and inflation in testimony to Congress, easing concern the central bank might raise interest rates soon. Greenapan told the Joint Economic Committee that he sees

US economic growth slowing, adding that inflation is low and falling. He also said the recent decline in the US stock market may "tend to damp" the "unsus-tainable pace" of US job creation. "His commentary is extremely constructive," said Kevin Kennedy, who manages a \$9 billion money-

market fund at Citibank Global Asset Management. "He's ruling out a oghtening not only this year but well into next year."

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\$8.44 per \$1,000 bond, pushing its yield down 7 basis points to 6.22 percent. Two-year yields fell 6 basis points to 5.66 percent. Kennedy, who didn't buy or sell

securities, has positioned his boldings to benefit from falling yields. Bonds were whipsawed in recent days as investors seeking a refuge from plunging stock markets snapped up Treasury securities - only to sell them just as fast when US stocks surged.

Bonds suffered their worst loss in 15 months Tuesday as the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 4.7%. "The stock-bond paradigm is in

play still," said George Kegler, executive vice president at Sanwa Securities Co. "Everybody's got

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US 30 -year T-bill yield 6.24 ¥ 0.5

one eye oo the stock indexes." Even after Tuesday's bond rout, 30-year yields are down 20 basis points since last Wednesday. Greenspan offered further encouragement to bondholders in his testimony.

"The Fed is on hold and nothing has yet to change that," said

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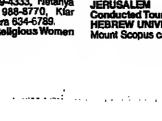
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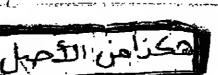
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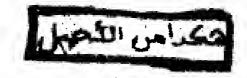




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End of an era in NBA as Bulls exit, lockout looms

NEW YORK (AP) - Time for a new slogan: The NBA - Enjoy it while it lasts.

From all indications, this is the NBA's eve of destruction. The Chicago Bulls are breaking up, a labor war like the one that led to a strike in US Major League Baseball three years ago is possible and the whole basketball of wax could break apart like a shattered backboard.

The Jerusalem Post Thursday, October 30, 1997

A year from now, you'll be reminiscing about today - the last time you went into an NBA season saying "I love this game." The 1997-98 season opens tomorrow night, Halloween, with a scary subplot.

The Chicago Bulls will be going for another title in the final season under coach Phil Jackson, who says "wild borses couldn't drag me back." That could mean the end of Michael Jordan's career, since he has said he won't play anywhere else

"Yes, I believe him. And yes, I'll try to talk him out of it," Jackson said. "I appreciate his loyalty and appreciate that he said that, but I don't want to limit his career. I'll encourage him to go on if there's something left in the tank." But there's no

do that.

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And by the time next July 1 rolls around, the dynasty will almost certainly be finished and the start of the 1998-99 season may be in jeopardy. "We've had a great run. What we've done is unparalleled in modern day sports," Jackson said. "After this year I'll step aside, look at the game and the teams and at a lot of things that are going on with the league. The possibility of a lockout will affect the future of everyone." Ah, the lockout, essentially a strike by the club owners, who keep the players out until their is a new collective bargaining agreement with their union. There have been two lockouts in the NBA over the past few years, a three-month one in 1995 and an eight-nunute version in 1996.

The league has the right to tear up the six-year labor agreement at the end of the season, which would inevitably lead to another lockout, the possibility of the decertification of the union, an anti-monopoly lawsuit brought by the players and maybe even an attempt by the league to use replacement players.

"I'm not prepared to make a prediction on it,"

guarantee Jackson or anyone else will be able to commissioner David Stem said last week. "It's a because of foot surgery, very volatile area, and there's no need to make

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dire pronouncements." But Stern will say this: The league is at a crossroads as the Bulls end their run and the game is handed to a younger generation able to command long-term contracts of more than \$100 million.

"Our biggest problem is that we're paying too nuch money," Stern said. "The result is a cascading salary structure that's OK if you're generating enough revenues to keep up with it. But we're not.

"I'm charged with keeping this league on some economic course that makes sense, and in their totality these contracts are putting us in a cycle where players earn more money, teams earn less money and ticket prices keep going up for the

That's a bad mix." The possibility of a lockout will be the No. 1 topic of discussion when the Board of Governors meets on November 11. By then, the defending champions already will

have begun their quest for another otle. Chicago will start the season without Scottie

Pippen, who will be out until at least January

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Croatian Toni Kukoc also has been slowed by a sore foot and Dennis Rodman's status was up in the air until he finally signed a one-year contract last Thursday.

Most observers feel Chicago will drop a notch from the team that over the past two seasons averaged 70 1-2 wins.

That could allow another team to finish with a better record, preventing the Bulls from enjoying homecourt advantage throughout the playoffs.

"I told my players at the beginning of camp that we're in the hunt," Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "We've won championships with less weapons than we have now." The Utah Jazz, coming off a 64-win season, an Most Valuable Player Award for Karl Malone and a trip to the Finals, may have a tough start because John Stockton's knee injury will keep him sidelined for the early part of the season.

Seattle also has potential problems as the team adjusts to life without Shawn Kemp and gets used to the less-flashy All-Star Vin Baker. Shaquille O'Neal will be-starting his second

season with the Lakers, and the Spurs not only

have David Robinson, Scan Elliott and Chuck Person back healthy, they also have the No. 1 overall pick of the draft in Tim Duncan - a player who housed his skills in college for four years instead of jumping to the NBA early like so many others these days.

"San Antonio and Los Angeles have the scariest teams with the most potential - they should be the favorites," said Phoenix coach Danny Ainge, whose own team has been strengthened by the addition of Jason Kidd last year and Antonio McDyess this year.

In the East, most of the contenders improved their rosters - from Miami adding four capable reserves to Charlotte adding a new backcourt to Orlando adding Derek Harper at point guard and moving Penny Hardaway to off-guard.

All those teams, at least in theory, have a chance of ending Chicago's run before its front office does.

But when next fall rolls around, that run will be over, the lockont will or will not have come and the league may or may not be getting ready for the post-Balls era.

Enjoy this season while it lasts.



in brief

Dallagiio named as England rugby captain

LONDON (Reuters) - Lawrence Dallaglio was appointed as England captain yesterday for the international against Australia at Twickenham on November 15,

Dallaglio, 25, has been preferred to British Lions skipper Martin Johnson by new England coach Clive Woodward. The Wasps flanker takes over the reins from center Phil de Glanville who led the side under Jack Rowell last season.

Kinkladze hurt in car crash

LONDON (Renters) - Manchester City's Georgian international Georgi Kinkladze was treated in hospital for cuts to his back after his Ferrari crashed on a motorway near Manchester airport on . Tuesday.

A police spokeswoman said Kinkladze's car had hit a signpost and then a pillar of a motorway bridge.

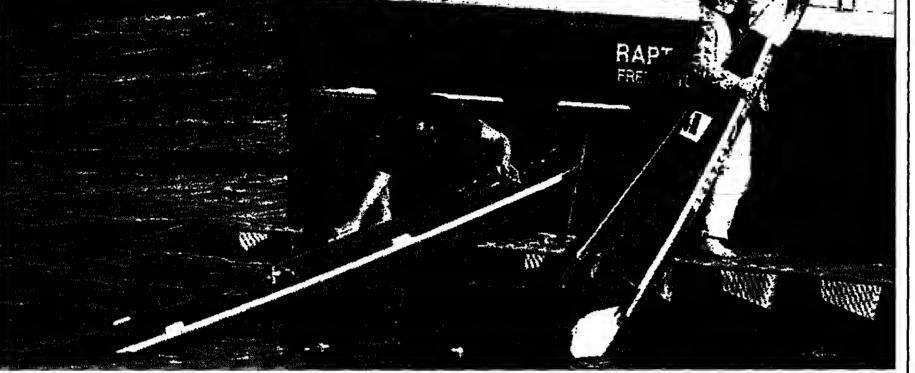
Canada to allow tobacco ads in motor racing

OTTAWA (AP) - Two days after Canadian Jacques Villeneuve won the Formula One championship, the Canadian government confirmed Tuesday it will exempt hig-time car races from its new ban on tobacco advertising.

Villeneuve is the first Canadian to win the world drivers' championship.

Organizers of the Grand Prix in Montreal, Villeneuve's home town, had warned the annual race was endangered by the law because some of the racing teams depend on tobacco sponsorship.

Health Minister Allan Rock said he will amend an anti-smoking law to allow tobacco logos on racing cars and drivers' uniforms. The law bans many forms of tobacco advertising, including some forms of sports sponsorships. The exemption will apply to the Montreal Grand Prix and Indy-Car races in Toronto and Vancouver.



Bitten on the surf

Australian surfers collect a damaged surf-ski from the waters off Perth after their craft had been broken in two by a bungry shark. The two men were rescued by fellow surfers moments before the shark returned for a second helping. Neither was seriously hurt.

European failure sparked Rangers boss's resignation





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GLASGOW (Reuters) - Rangers manager Watter Smith, revealed on Tuesday that his side's repeated failure to make a mark in Europe finally forced him to quit the Scottish champions.

The man who spent more than £50 million (\$83.4 million) during his six-year campaign to make an impact outside Scotland has admitted that being knocked out of two European competitions this season was the final straw.

There were pressures on players which led to difficulties on the European scene - that was a disappointment to me," Smith said after telling the chub's annual general meeting that he will be standing down at the end of the season.

Rangers, perennially dominant in Scotland, again failed to qualify for the Champions' League this season, despite Smith revamping his sound by bringing in eight foreign players at a cost of over £15 million (\$25 million).

They were knocked out of the qualifying round of the Champions' Cup by Sweden's IFK Gothenburg and then, more embarrassingly, humbled in the UEFA Cup- entry to which was a consolation prize - by French side Strasbourg.

Ironically, the man who is now expected to replace 49-year-old Smith is likely to come from Europe, with Rangers almost certain to copy Glasgow rivals Celtic by going for a for-

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eign coach. Richard Moller-Nielsen, whose son Tommy is a trainer at Ibrox, is the favorite. He led Denmark to European Championship glory in 1992 and is currently in charge of the Finnish national side.

But Finnish sources say that it would prove extremely expensive for Rangers to prize Moller-Nielsen away from the Finnish FA who have him under contract until 2000.

Tommy Svensson, who recently parted company with Sweden, and his compatriot, Sven-Goran Eriksson, currendy in charge of Lazio, have also been linked with the job.

"Walter has said that he will go at the end of the season and we will not be making any decision on a new manager until the New Year," said Rangers chairman David Murray. "Walter feels he would like a change in his life and that is his decision. We wish him well.

"He said to me during the summer that he wanted to try for 10 in a row and to have one more crack at Europe. Sadly, that has not worked out." Smith, who joined Rangers 1t years ago as assistant manager to Graeme Sourcess before taking over the top job in 1991, took the club he supported as a boy to an unparalleled reign of success.

Rangers have won the last nine league championships, seven of them under Smith, and

four.

dominated the Scottish soccer landscape by winning three Scottish Cups and three League Cups since he took over.

Development off the pitch at Ibrox has also been immense.

Under Murray's rule, the Scottish champions have ploughed around £30 million (\$50 million) into making the 51,000 all-seater stadium among the best in the world, they have a turnover which rivals English champions Manchester United and are among the eight richest clubs in Europe.

Each year, on the back of yet another domestic championship triumph, more and more money has been ploughed into buying the foreign stars who, it was hoped, would help Rangers to emulate Celtic's European Cup success of 1967.

Some, like French defender Basile Boli and Russian striker Oleg Salenko, were failures. Others, such as Denmark's talented Brian Laudrup and Englishman Paul Gascoigne, have written their way into the club folklore. Smith did manage to take Rangers to within 90 minutes of a place in the Champions' Cup final in 1992-93 only to see Marseille, claim the place instead.

In their two other appearances, in 1995-96 and 1996-97, Rangers have been totally outclassed, managing just one win in 12 games.

On three other occasions they were knocked out in the qualifying round - in 1993 by Levski Sofia, 1994 by AEK Athens and this season, Gothenburg.

Smith said on Tuesday: "A lot of the pressure on the players came from me as manager but I felt after Strasbourg that I was beginning to become a problem with the players." Smith has not had much luck with some of his purchases.

Defender Lorenzo Amoruso, who cost £4 million (\$6.68) from Fiorentina four months ago, has not played a game because of surgery on an Achilles problem, while Chilean striker Sebastian Rozental, a £4 million (\$6.68) buy from Universidad Catolica last January, managed just 58 minutes in a Rangers shirt before being struck by a knee injury.

Smith is expected to be given a £500,000 (\$834,000) golden handshake and is likely to take on the kind of talent-spotting role Bobby Robson has stepped into at Barcelona and attempt to provide new players for his succes-

Smith's aim is now to write himself into the record books by winning 10 ritles in a row, surpassing Celtic's legendary manager Jock Stein wbo achieved nine.

If he does it, he will be allowed to forget his European failures - at least by one half of Glasgow.

Flames 6, Penguins 3

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Brolin leaves Leeds at last

LEEDS (AP) - Tomas Brolin's unhappy two-season stay with Leeds United ended Tuesday in a payoff.

Left out of the team throughout last season and the first three months of this one. Brolin has been repeatedly fined for refusing to play for the reserves and, despite loans to Grasshoppers Zurich and Parma, the 27-year-old forward has been unable to make any firm moves to other clubs.

Although no official figure has been put on the payoff, reports say it will be $\pm 140,000$. But Leeds will save some $\pm 700,000$ on his contract, which was due to end next June.

With the Swedish season just ended, Brolin may have to look to Spain, or Scotland for another club, or another English team.

English rugby union players face 'sin bins'

LONDON (Reuters) - English rugby union officials have decided to introduce a "sin bin" in top club matches from this weekend in a hid to stamp out cynical play.

Following the lead of the southern hemisphere, the English Rugby Football Union (RFU) said on Tuesday that players committing offences such as deliberately going offside or killing the ball in a tackle would be sent from the field for 10 minutes. The "sin bins," which have been used in ice bockey for many years and are also part of rugby league, will not apply to foul play, bowever, where players will either be shown a yellow card or sent off the field for the rest of the match. The experimental new rule will be introduced at English league matches in the first and second

division from this weekend.

92-year-old rugby film discovered in garage

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand (AP) - Film footage of a 1905 rugby union match featuring a New Zealand team playing against England in London bas been discovered gathering dust in a garage. The two and half minutes of footage filmed at Crystal Palace may be the oldest film of a rugby match.

The film was recovered from Ernie Batchelor's garage hy his son, Owen, after Batchelor died in 1988.

Since then the fragile nitrate films have remained in Owen and Maureen Batchelor's garage, except for miraculously surviving a year outside during some building work.

"My wife wanted to keep them, but I kept wanting to throw them out," Owen Batchelor said yesterday.

"We'd held them up and flicked through them. There was something about the rugby film that was quite interesting." Owen Batchelor said his father, a rugby and league player in the 1920s, was a "born collector", and might have found the clips at the dump.

"We don't know where he got them from - that's the puzzling thing," he said.

The film shows the teams going on to the field and the All Blacks performing their legendary war dance, the haka. Some periods of play are shown, hut no tries or goals.

The films were shown to a friend of the family, Brother Gerrard Hogg, an archivist with the Wellington Marist Fathers and Brothers Congregation, while he was on holiday in Christchurch.

"The first part of the film was stuck together. However, we could see the silver ferm on the jerseys," Brother Gerrard said. He handed over the film to the New Zealand Film Archive late

last year.

Although suffering flaking emulsion and some water damage, the picture area of the film was in good condition. It has been preserved by the archive, and a copy has been made.

Jane Paul, co-ordinator of the Last Film Search project, said the film was the second earliest New Zealand film found since the search for old films began in 1992.

take over at Benfica LISBON *(AP) — Graeme Semess the former Liverpool and Sopland sing will take over as coach of Boringuese side Benfica Si Jong Vale e Azevedo wits Radar Spore for the club presidenev the chedictale amounted yes Sintay

Alevelo, and of three candidates in the election, said the 44-year-and Scotsman would navel to the Boringuese cannot with his family before

attainment of objectives," including winning the Portuguese title, Azevedo told reporters. The announcement increased the stakes in the fiercely contested, month-long campaign for the pres-idency of the Lisbon outfit.

Another candidate, Abilio Rodrignes, said earlier this month that he had secured a written undertaking from former England coach Bobby Robson to move to the 120,000 capacity Estadio da Luz (Stadium of Light). But the move depends on Rodrigues being

elected.

Nagano appeals to IOC in downhill ski row

NAGANO. Japan (Renters) - Federation (FIS) shead of the The top organizer of the 1998 Nagano Games. Winter Olympics in Japan said yesterday he had appealed to International Olympic Committee (IOC) President Jnan Antonio Samaranch for his support in a bitter dispute over the showpiece men's downhill skiing eveot at the

Games. The dispute, which centers on a seemingly obscure argument over the beight of the starting line for the race, has threatened to sour relations between Japanese organizers and the International Ski

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Makoto Kobayashi, the director-general of the Nagano Organising Committee (NAOC), said he had flown to Samaranch's Barcelona home on Sunday to request his help in ending the feud with the FIS over the race.

The FIS has been pushing for years to raise the height of the starting point for the downhill course, arguing it was currendy set too low for an Olympic standard race.

The NAOC has refused, saying higher start would break Japanese environmental laws by putting the skiers in a national park.

NEW YORK (AP) - Richard ed off the side of Selanne's head Matvichuk scored two goals in a and into the Toronto net at the 8:04 72-second span of the first period mark. It was Selanne's eighth goal as the Dallas Stars beat the New of the season, and extended his goal-scoring streak to a club-York Rangers 3-2 Tuesday night. record five games. Matviebuk scored at 3:07 and 4:19 of the first period to give

Dallas a 2-0 lead. Both goals came with the teams skating four-on-Dallas took a 3-0 lead with 23

seconds left in the first period on a goal by Joe Nieuwendyk, but New York pulled to 3-2 on a pair of goals by Mike Keane.

Kings 2, Panthers 2

In Miami, Jozef Stumpel scored the tying goal for Los Angeles with 14 seconds left in regulation and the game ended in a tie even though Florida outshot the Kings 26-12

Florida led 2-0 midway through the third period, but Craig Johnson scored for Los Angeles at 11:04 and Stumpel tied it in the closing seconds after the Kings pulled goalie Stephane Fiset for an extra

skater. Steve Washburn and Jody Hull scored for Florida, which outshot Los Angeles 7-0 in the first period - the first shotless period in the

Kings' 30-year history. Mighty Ducks 2, Maple Leafs 2 In Toronto, Anaheim's Teemu Selanne scored the tying goal in the third period when a shot deflected off his head, and the Mighty Ducks went on 10 lie the Toronto Maple Leafs. Ruslan Salei's wrist shot deflect-

winless (0-5-2) in their last seven road games. In Calgary, Alberta, Jarome Iginla scored twice and rookie

Matvichuk's two goals lift

Stars over Rangers

goalie Tyler Moss won his first NHL start as Calgary beat Sergei Berezin and Mats Sundin scored for Toronto. Rookie Espen Pittsburgh. Knutsen got the other Anaheim season for the Flames (2-8-2). The goal. Avalanche 3, Sabres 2 Penguins ended an eight-game

In Denver, Joe Sakic had a goal road trip — the longest in franand an assist, and Patrick Roy continued to clinib the career victory list as the Colorado

Avalanche beat the Buffalo Sabres. Roy, coming off his first loss of the season Saturday, made 19 saves for his 355th career win,

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and a power-play goal by Andrew Cassels, they took their first lead when Aaron Gavey scored at 4:22 of the third period. EASTERN CONFERENCE

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chise history - with a 5-2-1 record. Moss, called up from Saint John of the AHL on Monday, made 26 SPORTS

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Russia, Italy draw 1-1 in frozen mudbath

MOSCOW - Italy, in danger of missing the World Cup finals for the first time since 1958, slipped and slid to a 1-1 tie with Russia last night in a snowy playoff that leaves their fate riding on one final game.

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The favored Italians were satisfied to escape with the draw, given a tough match on a night when the temperature was sub-freezing and the Dynamo Stadium pitch was better-suited to cross-country skiing than soccer.

Christian Vieri fired Italy ahead early in the second half but Fabio Cannavaro turned a cross into his own net two minutes later as Russia hit back, leaving the two teams even heading into the second leg at Naples on November 15.

Steady snow fell and a sharp wind blew throughout the match, limiting attendance in the 45,000-seat stadium to just 20,000, including Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chemomyrdin and a few hundred hardy flag-waving Italian supporters.

Italian Coach Cesare Maldini, his job on the line, was pleased with the outcome.

"Italy played a great match, showing a lot of heart and aggressiveness," he said. "1-1 is a very good score for us.

However, we must be prepared to play another tough match in Naples. We only are halfway now." Russian coach Boris Ignative also

tried to put the best face on the outcome. He said he was satisfied with his players' effort. "It's not the end of our team,

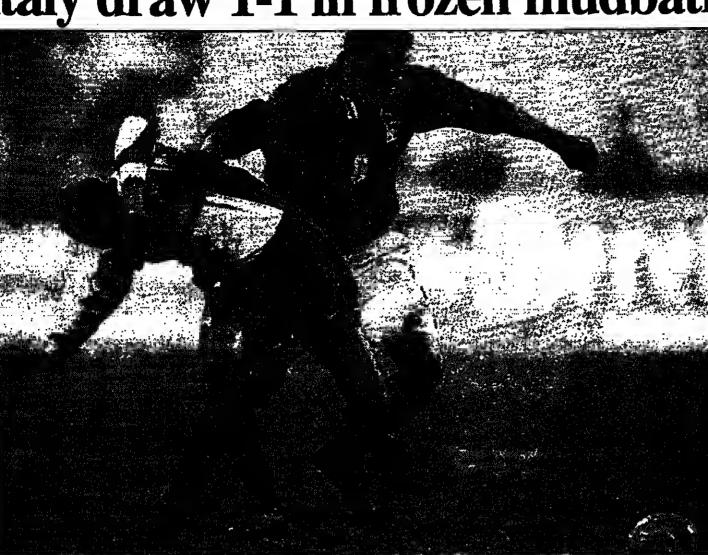
though there are those who would like to bury us and not have us go to France," be said, referring to fans and officials elsewhere who don't want a World Cup finals without Italy. "I think our prospects are 50-50 in Italy."

Italy had never before scored in three trips to Russia over 34 years. But Vieri, who plays in Spain for Atletico Madrid, slithered clear of defender Ahrik Tsveiba to shoot home from just inside the area in the 50th minute

Dmitry Khokhlov, replacing injured Andrei Kanchelskis at halftime, set up the Russian equalizer in the 52nd with a low cross from the / right that eluded Sergei Yuran. Cannavaro was sliding in behind the Russian forward and couldn't help turning the ball over the line for the equalizer.

Iceland 1, Belgium 1 In Dublin, Luc Nilis answered

Dennis Irwin strike for brilliant strike as heland and Belgium drew



TUG-OF-WAR - Italy's Christian Vieri (right) and Russia's Viktor Onopko fight for the ball in atrocious, sub-freezing conditions in Moscow last night. (Reuters)

1-1 in their playoff to give the Belgians a slight advantage in the between the outstretched hands of goalkeeper Filip De Wilde and his second leg. ight hand post.

After Manchester United defender As Belgium sought an immediate reply, Schalke forward Michael Irwin had curled a long-range free kick into the net in the seventh Goossens sent over a cross to Nilis minute, Nilis bent a 20-meter shot whose header was brilliantly palmed into the top corner of the Irish net for round the post by Shay Given. From the equalizer in the 30th. the corner, a goalbound shot by Franky van der Elst hit team-mate The two teams meet again in Eric Van Meir. The Belgians, forced to play with-

The equalizer came in the 30th out suspended Luis Oliveira and minute and was a solo effort from injured Enzo Scifo and Lorenzo Nilis. Staclens, appeared unhappy at the He fought for the ball with Irwin decision that brought Ireland an on the right, turned back and weaved inside to pull the ball onto his left

Hungarian referee Laszlo Vagner foot. Irwin went for another tackle but Nilis curled the ball into the top decided that Goran Vidovic was guilty of a foul on Feyenoord striker left hand comer of the net with a superbly-struck shot. Irwin punished him further with a Croatia 2, Ukraine 0 bending free kick from 28 meters

In Zagreb, defender Slaven Bilic scored after only 11 minutes and

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Goran Vlaovic added another early in the second half to give Croatia a 2-0 victory over Ukraine.

The two meet again in the second leg in Kiev on November 15. Bilic put the Croats ahead on a powerful header, and Vlaovic added the second in the 49th with a skillful solo effort.

The Croats fielded a strong side and validated their role as the favorites from the outset, dictating the tempo and throwing the Ukraine defense into dissaray with a flurry of early attacks.

Ukraine fought battled valiantly in the midfield but failed to threaten Croatia's goal. The only real opportunity came in the 30th minute during a goalmouth scramble that was cleared off the line.

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Safar from close range. Yugoslavia were three goals up inside 10 minutes thanks to goals from Miroslav Djukic and a stun-

ning drive from Dejan Savicevic. . Two goals from Predrag Mijatovic in the 26th and 41 st minutes gave the visitors a five-goal lead at the break. Mijatovic completed his hat-trick in the 51st minute and substitute Szavo Milosevic made it seven on the 63rd minute,

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Betar looking for new striker

By ORI LEWIS

Betar Jerusalem are desperately looking for a new striker to fill the boots of the injured Stefan Saloi and Eli Ohana.

The defending league champions were effectively left without a strike force following Saloi's injury on Monday in which he broke his arm during training. A broken arm will leave him on the sidelines for up to three months. Ohana had an operation on torn knee ligaments earlier this month and is out of action for the entire season.

Saloi will undergo an operation to repair the fracture to his upper left arm in the hope that this will speed up his recovery.

In the meantime, however, Betar are searching desperately for a replacement, but there are no. names yet.

In all likelihood it will be another er foreign import following the announcement yesterday that the Jerusalem club's main target, Shai Holtzman, who is currently under contract to French first division side Rennes, is not interested in returning to Israel.

Maradona says he's quitting soccer – again

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — Diego Maradona, dogged by rumors of a new failed doping test, said yesterday he had decided to retire from soccer,

The footballer in me has come to an end. Nobody's sadder than me," the former Argentine captain, speak-ing on the eve of his 37th birthday, said in a telephone interview with television channel America 2.

With all the pain in my soul, the moment has come to announce my retirement. Tomorrow will be my saddest birthday," he added, saying he had promised his father last month

that he would quit the next time "rumors" circled about his drug habit. Maradona, who has announced his retirement several times before and threatened to quit on countless more occasions, played Sunday in Boca Juniors's 2-1 victory at archnival River Plate, a result which put the team atop of the Argentine first division standings.

Maradona, returning from a month on the sidelines due to a leg injury, played poorly and was substituted at halftime with Boca losing 1-0. Many newspaper reports said Boca Juniors would be better off without him.

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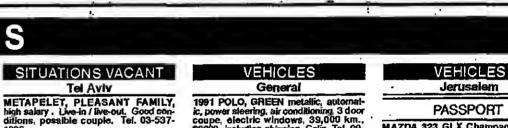
By HEATHER CHAIT

Anna Smashnova and Tsippi Obziler are the two local rackets to reach the quarter-finals of the \$25,000 Marjorie Sherman Challenger at Ramat Hasharon. Yesterday top-seeded Smashnova, 163. in the world, beat Mexico's

Aviv 3-1 in the semi-finals. Jessica Fernandez 6-4, 6-3. Obziler, ranked 323, had a the National League, beat Hapoel straightforward 6-1, 6-2 win over

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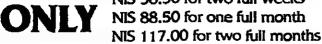
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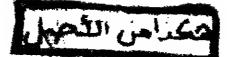
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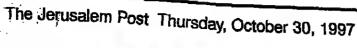
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Fileying her success in 'Naked' and 'Breaking the Waves,' Katrin Cartlidge surpasses herself as Hannah in 'Career Girls.'

Feelin' like Sunday

By AMY KLEIN

bo doesn't miss Sundays? That lazy, lolling gather-your-sanity time which begins with a late branch and ends with some cultural, soul-lifting activity: a day in the

park, at the museum, the movies or musical performance. Israeli Fridays - with traffic, errands, and the imminent Shabbat - just isn't the same. Here's one way to try and recapture that old Sunday afternoon spirit;

Go to Bezalel Street in Nahlaot at around 1:30 on Friday afternoons. For three hours, the Pargod hosts jazz jam sessions, the kind you might find in Greenwich Village's Washington Square Park, like a spontaneous eruption, as if musicians "just happened" to run into each other and decided to jam.

That's what happens Friday afternoons at the Pargod. Pianists, drummers, guitarists, horn players and even scat " singers - some professional, some amateur - drop by this intimate, tunnel like theater to make music.

The Pargod is an oblong descending hall, with the stage at the bottom. It seats about 100 people, on hard-backed wooden chairs set up in small circles, with tables for beer or soft drinks.

The Pargod has long been an institution. It opened in 1969, originally as a repertory theater, before the Khan and the Jerusalem Theater were around. Arich Mark, the



founder and manager, hired the Jerusalem Sextet in 1975 to fill in the nights between shows. But jazz became so popular that it became a regular feature; big-name performers would stop by to play Fridays - Chick Corea, for example - before their main performances.

.Today, the Pargod has more than just jazz during the week. Many popular performers got their start at the Pargod, says Mark, like Si Hyman and Comme Allal. Next month's weekly concerts, include ethnic music with Habreira Hatiy it, rock groups, and mime troupe Dikla and the Dickles. Tickets cost NIS 30 to NIS 55.

Admission to the Friday jam sessions is free. The messybaired attendees - I wore mine loose and curly, like a hunched, enthusiastic plano player - wander in and out in their Birkenstocks and overalls.

Then, burkenshocks and overails. It feels like a jazz club," says Josh, visiting the Pargod for the first time, "like somebody's basement but with a microphone and a stage." Soary to disappoint you, Josh, but jazz will not be the big item at the Rargod in the future. Mark is planning fewer. Jazz concerts and more rock and ethnic music. "Something humaned. There's less exclusion to yet fazz in [spac]. happened. There's less excitement over jazz in Israel, I hink it's because focal jazz is not being infused with new. energy The one exception to the dying local jazz scene is the imprompta Fridays at the Pargod. Strangers come togeth-er and play says Mark Reople even form hands from these ian sessions. There is inprovisation, and the atmos-phere is electric in a gray it can only be with mzz.



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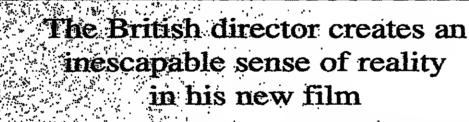
Mike Leigh's latest 'Career' move

By KENNETH TURAN & MATT WOLF

areer Girls isn't going to cause the fuss that Secrets / and Lies did, but that's not the point. How often, after all, does a psychologically acute hand independent film win the parties d'Or at Cannes, get nominame for five Oscars, and gross \$40 million theatrically world-.

wide? But as a smaller-scale work, this look at the weekend reunion of former college roommates this into even sharper relief what makes writer-director Mike Leigh anothe among his contemporaries. It underlines the qualities his more than a dozen films share that makes each linger in the memory, as this one does, long after the as this one does, long after the chirth of other filmmakers have basis to black. Crigh's celebrated work method the growing of characters from

the ground up in close collaboration with actors - creates an inescapable and compelling sense totatestity. No one captures tough addition moments better than he does and no one else's people are so persuasive that it's difficult to get them out of your mind. That's true even when, as here, the people have pain-in-the-neck aspects that keep each other - and us - at



arm's length for a while. Career Girls has rewards, but they must be waited for. Annie (Lynn Steadman, in her

film debut) hasn't seen her old roommate Hannah (Katrin Cartlidge) for six years, but she's taking the train into London to spend a weekend with her. Before she arrives, Annie flashes back to what their college days were like, and the film alternates between showing how things were then and experiencing what they're like now as it examines the strength of shared memory and the place of the past in current lives.

Given how much more pulled together and successful both women are now, it's a shock to see what they were like as students at North London Poly. They called themselves "the Bronte sisters" because "we always get the brunt of everything," and consulted a dog-eared copy of Wuthering Heights for advice like it was the 1 Ching, "except you don't have to

scratch it." Not a decade later, Hannah is

living in a smart flat with a company car in north London's last. Kentish Town, even as Annie has established herself up north as a

"career girl" all her own, with a job in personnel management. As successful young professionals, Annie and Hannah are much more involving and easier to expe-rience, even if they are awkward with each other at first. There is a kind of wariness and uncertainty between them as they attempt to re-establish a relationship that apparently fell apart under not the happiest of circumstances.

Though its plot frequently falls back on coincidence, so much so that the characters joke about it, Career Girls has the almost magical ability to involve us emotionally with these women, even though there are points when we would have sworn that would not be possible.

Secrets get revealed as well as lies, moments of real sadness and sharp humor are experienced, and everyone gets a better understanding of why the friendship came

into being and why it's likely to Against considerable odds, a bond of genuine intimacy is

forged on screen, and movies that can accomplish that have come to be Mike Leigh's trademark. The fact that the central characters are named Hannah and Annie

may suggest Woody Allen territory. If so, Mike Leigh's movie evokes the New York Jewish maestro in other ways as well. Though the London unveiled hy

Leigh is somewhat removed from Allen's affluent Manhattan, the British writer-director shares Allen's interest in the daily details of people's lives.Both filmmakers focus on ordinary people — the human comedy gently flecked hy tragedy. Career Girls doesn't have the

fireworks of its immediate Leigh predecessors, and it may disappoint those seeking the emotional breadth of Scorets and Lies and the raw vigor of his 1993 Naked. But on its own terms, his new film makes a sweet, telling, and - as

always with this filmmaker - a beautifully acted addition to the output of a director who, like Allen, possesses a singular talent that won't be computed.

Secrets and Lies lifted a largely unknown cast to near-star status. and Career Girls looks set to do the same for its exemplary ensemble. Of the principals, Cartlidge is the best known, following roles in Leigh's own Naked and as Emily Watson's confidante of sorts last year in Breaking the Waves. But the dark-haired actress with the aquiline features surpasses herself as Hannah.

Lynda Steadman does particularly well in the contemporary sequences charting the quiet liber-ation that has enabled Annie to shed her twitching, hapless former self. Just as Timothy Spall's photographer lent a poignant gravity to Secrets and Lies, that function is here filled by the jowly Benton, who is simply heartbreaking as Ricky, a man rejected hy life.

Kudos are in order, too, to Joe Tucker as a real estate agent with a past and to theater actor Serkis as a cocky high-flyer who sets himself up for a fall. Career Girls may be a smart and sweet examination of how two women got to be here from there, but it's a measure of Leigh's keen and democratic eye that the men are not left out.

(LA Times, AP)

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Mansicals on my mind

Actress and singer Hani Nahmias talks about her favorite musicals

t age 10, actress/singer Hani Nahmias was already a child star, the heroine of Hannale and the Sabbath Dress. She did her army service in what was the cream of the IDF entertainment troupes, Lahakat Hanahal. For a while she was in the Cameri Theater, was the host of various TV shows, including the Miss Israel beauty pageant, and she has sung in comedy shows with Tuvia Tsafir. But her real metier is children.

Nahmias likes children and they adore her because she's like a kid herself. Her charisma, energy and enthusiasm, her unpatronizing attitude, draw her young audi-ences to her like honey draws Pooh.

She played the title role in the musical Peter Pan with Hanoch Rosenne. She's hosted the Hanukka Festigal for the last three years. She is the undisputed queen of kiddie TV, with shows like Pretty Butterfly and Hoppa Hey. Nahmias is also the bostess of the youth program Ping Pong and of the miniseries In First Place. Her performance as Maria in The Sound of Music made the 1995 local revival a hit that ran for close to two years. Nahmias says she loves musical

theater, can see four musicals in one weekend in New York or London, and would love to star in a musical version of Mary Poppins.

1. The Sound of Music by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein is her first choice. "It's the musical classic. The music is amazing. There's a Cinderella love story, kids, history. Of course Julie Andrews is the definitive Maria. I was three years old when the movie came out. I've

never seen the stage version, only the movie, lots of times. I think it probably influenced my career."

2. Miss Saigon hy C.M. Schonberg, lyrics by R. Maltby Jr., hased on the fall of Saigon in 1975.

"I saw the play in New York. The sheer size of the set is mind blowing. A helicopter lands on stage! I'm touched by the story of the love between an American solapplaud."

dier and a Vietnamese girl and the unhappy legacy it bequeaths to their Eurasian child."

3. Oliver! by Lionel Bart

"I saw the revival in London about a year ago. It's naive and enchanting. The music is wonderful and the children steal the show. I love musicals with children in them, especially when they act well, and these did. The set on that was impressive too. They can be that way on London and Broadway stages because the shows don't have to travel, the way they do here. Fagin's underworld literally came up from below and left me gasping."

4. Tommy - the rock opera by Pete Townshend of The Who, which has become a cult with a website of its own.

"I saw it in London last year. It's been running for 20 years. It's the sort of music that has you sitting on the edge of your seat. It's the story of a brain-damaged boy who flies, and I was impressed by their flight technique."

5. Damn Yankees - about a baseball fan and his favorite team by Richard Adler and Jerry Ross.

"I saw it in New York about two years ago, starring Jerry Lewis. It's a small-scale musical but Lewis is that rare comedian who can really fill a stage. At the end of the sbow, I stood on my seat to — Helen Kaye

By KAREN SULKIS **Tel Aviv**

If you've been missing that coffee-house jazz thing that all the kids are crazy about in the States, head on over to Barklay's Coffee in Ramat Gan. Tonight at 9 you can swing out with Meir Ben-Michael's Quartet. 1 Jabotinsky Street,

Stay up late and catch TNT, a musical that promises punk, soul and something the promoters bill as "black" music. Show starts at 11:30 at Tzavta 2.

With the Boston trial of British an pair Louise Woodward making the headlines, especially on

SkyNews, those who are keeping up with British murder cases might want to take in Superior Beings. The play purports to be loosely based on the kingdom's grisly West murders. Curtain tonight at 9 at Hasimta Theater in Old Jaffa. Shmuel Hasfari's play Shiva

takes place during the days when an appearance hy Anwar Sadat on Israeli television was a national event. Tonight at 9 at Heichal Hatarbut in Kfar Sava.

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Amateur Columbos and wannabe V.I. Warshawskis can try their hands at figuring out whodunnit as they take part in the audi-

ence-participatory play Mystery in the Citadel. The interactive show is an easy way to entertain yourself and your family while you take in all the nighnime drama that the Towet of David Museum of the History of Jerusalem has to offer before the weather gets too cold. You might want to take some

warm clothes, just in case. The museum is located in the Old City, next to Jaffa Gate, Call 627-4111. Conductor Martin Yates leads the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra in selections from London and Broadway nusicals. The show starts tonight at 8:30 at ICC, at Binyenei Ha'unia.

Pianist Tali Rivlin and bassist Entek Rave jazz it up tonight. beginning at 11:30, at Tmol

Shilshom. The hip and almost hidden cafe is located at 5 Yoel Solomon, off Ben-Yehuda Street. Call 623-2758.

And Points Beyond

Ever feel like reading other people's mail? In the play Darling Estherlein, the actors do it for you, as the action takes place in form of letters between S.Y. Agnon and his wife. Tonight at 7 at Wadi Salib. Conductor Doron Salomon leads the The Kibbutz Chamber Orchestra in a program of Bizet

and Rossini. Tonight at 8:30 at Heichal Hatarbut in Nahariya. Goren Agmon's drama The Heiress plays today at 5 and 9 at Heichal Hatarbut in Afula.



Seckel pears are best suited to baked desserts like this one: Spiced pears in red wine.

A sweet pilgrimage

Because the American colonists were so inventive, their classic New England desserts are still a hit, writes New England native Nina Simonds

meg. (Serves 8.)

BOSTON CREAM PIE

consists of two layers of sponge

cake with a custard filling. It was

a mixer until foamy, using clean dry beaters. Gradually add 3 Tosp.

sugar, beating mixture until stiff

peaks form. Gently stir one-fourth

of egg-white mixture into batter.

Gently fold in remaining egg-

white mixture. Pour into prepared

Bake at 175° for 35 minutes or

until a wooden pick inserted in

center comes out clean. Cool in

pan 10 minutes on a wire rack;

remove from pan. Cool complete-

using a serrated knife; place bot-

tom layer, cut side up, on a serving

plate. Spread vanilla pastry cream

evenly over bottom layer; top with

remaining cake layer. Spread

chocolate glaze evenly over top.

Chill 1 hour or until glaze is set.

VANILLA PASTRY CREAM

Place egg in a bowl; set aside.

Combine sugar and cornstarch in a

1 large egg, lightly beaten

2 1/2 Tosp. cornstarch

14 cups low-fat milk

14- tsp. vanilla extract

Split cake in haif horizontally

ly on wire rack.

(Serves 10.)

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This dessert isn't o pie at all; it

any are inclined to think of New Englanders as bearers of a tradition in cookery that's historically rich, but a trifle stodgy and unimaginative: baked beans; Thanksgiving turkey; the boiled dinner.

This notion does them a grave disservice. The truth is that even as far back as the Pilgrim days, Yankee cooks have been endlessly resourceful and inventive. And that's especially true at the end of the meal, when the dessert trolley rolls around.

When Native Americans taught the settlers the secret of "sugaring off" maple trees, the settlers found lots of uses for the resulting syrup.

And with a steady supply of

Beat egg whites and cream of tartar at high speed of a mixer until foamy. Gradually add 1/4 cup sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time; beat over medium heat, stirring frequently. Reduce heat to low; cook until stiff peaks form. Set aside. Beat 14 cups sugar and marand mixture is creamy, stirring garine in a large bowl at medium occasionally. speed of a mixer until well-hlend-

ed (about 5 minutes). Add mashed potatoes and egg; beat well. Combine flour and next 7 ingredients (flour through nutmeg). Add flour mixture to potato mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour mix-

Boston's Parker House hotel that crowned this "pie" with its now familiar chocolate topping. (In the Fold egg-white mixture and vanilla into batter; pour batter into more traditional version, powa 12-cup Bundt pan coated with cooking spray. dered sugar is dusted on tap.) Bake at 175° for 45 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in below) pan 10 minutes; remove from pan. cooking spray 2 tsp. cake flour Cool completely on a wire rack. Cut into 12 slices. Sprinkle with 1/2 Cup sugar cocoa; dollop each serving with 1 31/2 Tbsp. margarine l tsp. vanilla extract Tbsp. whipped topping. (Serves l large egg yolk 14 cups sifted cake flour 14 stp. baking powder 14 stp. salt SPICED PEARS IN RED WINE Varsp. sait.
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Chocolate glaze (recipe below)
Prepare vanilla pastry cortain.
Preheat oven to 175°.
Coat bottom of a 22 cmit, round cake pait with copking spring Dust with 2 tsp. floin, set aside.
Beat variable sugar and magarine in a medium bowl at medium Once New Englanders were introduced to the tiny, russet-colored Seckel pear, they learned that this fruit's firm texture and spicy. sweet flavor are best sujted to baked desserts. If so that i find Seckels, five or state size Bosc pears can be subjected. Look for cristallized giver and star anise stroning along woodland pans, parea dessents if descent find and deserted dunes, there's some Seckels, five or six tak size Bosc thing inevitable and proper about pears can be substantial. Look for tucking away a substantial, the cristallized gauger and star anise nonsense roast or stew, then top in the spice Section at Asian mar-ping the meal off with a soul-saus constant supermarkets or specialtysupermarkets or specialtyin a medium bowl at medium speed of a mixer until well-blend-A light termine junce Michaelser plans (about 14 kg.), Michael Michaels or Micrael wine. ed (about 5 minutes). Add vanilla and egg yolk, and beat well. Sift together 11/2 cups flour, baking powder and salt. 20 1/2 cup sugar 5 orange rind strips, 61/2 x 2 cm. Add flour mixture to creamed mixture alternately with milk, 1/2 cup orange juice 2 cinnamon sticks, 61/2 cm. beginning and ending with flour mixture. 1 star anise (optional) Beat egg whites at high speed of

Combine first 4 ingredients in a medium heat; cook 1 minute, stirmedium saucepan; bring to a hoil ring constantly. Remove from heat. Gradually stir one-fourth of hot milk mixture into egg; add to 50 minutes or until rice is tender remaining milk mixture, stirring constantly.

Cook over medium heat 1 Remove from heat, and stir in minute or until thick, stirring convanilla, salt, cinnamon and putstantly.

Remove from heat: stir in vanilla. Pour mixture into a bowl; place plastic wrap on surface, and chill. (Makes 11/2 cups.)

CHOCOLATE GLAZE

60 gr. semisweet chocolate, coarsely chopped 31/2 Tbsp. water 21/2 Tbsp. fat-free, sweetened, Thursday, October 30, 1997 The Jerusalem Post

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with apples to make what has become o familiar fall pie.

| cup sugar 2 Tosp. all-purpose flour

- 1 tsp. grated orange rind
- 1/s tsp. ground cinnamon /3 cup water

4 cups diced Golden Delicious apples

11/2 Caps fresh or frozen cranberries 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, divided 7 1/2 Tosp. ice water 11/2 tsp. sugar 1/2 tsp. salt 4 1/2 Tbsp. vegetable shortening cooking spray

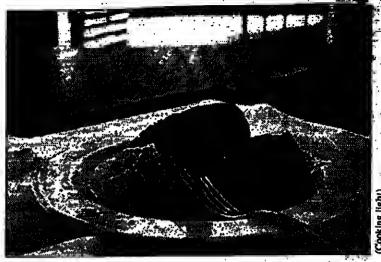
Preheat oven to 220°.

Combine first 5 ingredients in a large saucepan. Stir in diced apple and cranberries; bring to a boil. Reduce heat, and simmer 15 minutes or until cranberries pop; stir occasionally. Remove from heat; cool.

Comhine 1/4 cup flour and ice water, stirring with a whisk until well-blended; set aside. Combine 11/4 cups flour, 11/2 tsp. sugar and salt in a bowl; cut in shortening with a pastry hlender or 2 knives until mixture resembles coarse meal. Add ice water mixture; mix with a fork until flour mixture is

moist. Gently press two-thirds of flour mixture into a 9-cm. circle on heavy-duty plastic wrap; cover with additional plastic wrap. Repeat procedure with remaining flour mixture. Roll larger portion of dough, still covered, into an 24cm, circle. Roll smaller portion of dough, still covered, into a 20-cm. circle. Chill both portions of dough 10 minutes or until plastic can be easily removed. Working with larger portion of

dough, remove top sheet of plastic; fit dough, uncovered side down, into a 20-cm. round removable-bottom tart pan coated with cooking spray. Remove bottom sheet of plastic. Fold edges of pastry under, press up sides of pan. Spoon cranberry mixture into



crust; set aside.

Working with the smaller portion of dough, remove top sheet of plastic. Cut dough into 1-cm. strips. Gently remove dough strips from bottom sheet of plastic; arrange in a lattice design over cranberry mixture. Seal dough strips to edge of crust. Place tart on a baking sheet. Bake at 229° for 40 minutes or

until crust is browned and filling is hubbly. Cool on a wire rack. (Serves 8.)

MARLBOROUGH PIE For special occasions and holidays, Yankee cooks often departed from the traditional apple-pie recipe and prepared this rich pie. It's made with shredded apples or applesauce.

l cup all-purpose flour, divided 31/2 Tbsp. ice water 1 tsp. sugar 1/4 tsp. salt 3 Tosp. vegetable shortening cooking spray 2 cups sweetened applesauce 1/2 cup sugar 1/2 cup evaporated skim milk 2 Tosp. margarine, melted. 2 Tosp. lemon juice 2 Tbsp. cream sherry 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg 2 large eggs

cinnamon sticks (optional) Preheat oven to 200°.

Comhine 1/2 cup flour and ice water, stir with a whisk until well-. hlended. Set aside. Combine 1/4 cup flour, 1 tsp. sugar and salt in a bowl; cut in shortening with a pastry hlender or 2 knives until mixture resembles coarse meal. Add ice water mixture; mix with a fork until flour mixture is moist.

Gently press mixture into a 9-cm. circle on heavy-duty plastic wrap; cover with additional plastic wrap. Roll dough, still covered, into an 24-cm. circle; chill for 10 minutes or until plastic can be easily removed.

Remove top sheet of plastic; fit dough, uncovered side down, into a 20-cm. pie plate coated with cooking spray. Remove bottom sheet of plastic. Fold edges under, flute. Pierce bottom and sides of dough with a fork. Bake at 200° for 8 minutes; cool on a wire rack. Comhine applesauce and remaining ingredients in a bowl, and stir well with a whisk. Pour into prepared crust; bake at 200° for 10 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 160°; bake an additional 55 minutes or until filling is set. Cool completely on a wire rack. Garnish with cinnamon sticks, if desired. (Serves 8.)

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Tel Aviv at Tres Pesos factory.

If you gotta have it

exotic ingredients arriving by clip per ship from the far comers of the earth - cinnamon, cloves and ginger from the Orient as well as rum, molasses, pineapples and lemons from the West Indies - cooks had ample opportunity to mix local and imported tastes. To a great extent, the results of their experiments are the desserts that have become a cornerstone of the Colonial culinary legacy. This region's rohust cuisine

might have been invented just for a crisp New England antumn. After a bundled-up afternogin picking through antiques or strolling along woodland paths fying rice pudding, or maybe Boston Cream Pie – that confection featuring twin layers of cake sandwiched with cream and

crowned with chocolate. New England's classic dessert recipes have been passed between generations for a couple of hundred years now, hut that's no reason for today's cooks to regard them as sacred texts. In fact, those clever Colonials would no doubt applaud the health-conscious spin put on several of their most famous sweets, lightening them without changing their character a whit.

CHOCOLATE-POTATO TWEED CAKE

Although mashed potatoes may seem like an unlikely ingredient for a sweet Bundt cake, they've actually been used as a baking ingredient for centuries.

3 large egg whites 1/1 tsp. cream of tartar 11/2 cups sugar, divided 1/2 cup margarine, softened 1 cup mashed, cooked, peeled red potato 1 large egg 21/4 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa 14/2 tsp. baking powder 1 tsp. salt 1 tsp. ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp. baking soda 1/4 tsp. ground cloves 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg 1/2 cup 1% fat milk 1 tsp. vanilla extract cooking spray 1 tsp. sifted unsweetened cocoa x/4 cup frozen reduced-calorie whipped topping, thawed

Preheat oven to 175°.

5 tsp. chopped crystallized ginger Sprinkle lemon juice over pears; drain.

Combine wine and next 4 ingredients (wine through cinnamon) in a large non-aluminum Dutch oven. Add star anise, if desired; bring to a boil. Reduce heat and cook, covered, 10 minutes. Add pears; simmer 10 minutes or until tender, turning pears occasionally. Remove pears from wine mixture using a slotted spoon. Place in a shallow howl; set aside. Bring wine mixture to a boil over high heat; cook 10 minutes or until reduced to about 2 cups. Discard solids. Spoon reduced wine mixture over pears; sprinkle

MAPLE RICE PUDDING For a low-fat version of this pudding, use short-grain Arborio rice to create a richer, creamier texture. . 4 cnps low-fat milk

with ginger. (Serves 10.)

1/2 cup Arborio rice or other short-grain rice 43 cup maple syrup 1/4 cup raisins l tsp. vanilla extract 1/4 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon

saucepan. Gradually add milk to saucepan; stir with a whisk until hlended. Bring to a hoil over 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg

condensed milk vanilla pastry cream (recipe

Comhine all ingredients in a medium glass bowl, and microwave at high 1 minute or until almost melted, stirring until smooth (Makes 1/4 cap.)

THE CAKE Spice cake was a staple because Salem, Massachusetts, and other New England ports were hubs for the Far East spice trade. After ships from the Caribbean brought back pineopples, on inventive cook layered pineapple and sugar on the bottom of the spice cake pan. The result: an instant classic.

4 tsp. margarine 1/3 cup orange juice 1/4 cup packed brown sugar 7 slices fresh pineapple, 1 cm. 1/4 cup margarine, softened 1/2 cup granulated sugar 1/4 cup honey 1 large egg 11/4 cups sifted cake flour

14: tsp. ground cinnamon 1 tsp. baking powder 1/2 tsp. baking soda 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg 1/4 cup skim milk 2 tsp. grated orange rind 144 tsp. vanilla extract

thick

Preheat oven to 175° Melt 4 tsp. margarine in a 22cm. cast-iron or heavy skillet. Add juice and brown sugar; hring to a boil and stir. Remove from heat. Arrange pineapple slices in a single layer over brown sugar mixture: set aside.

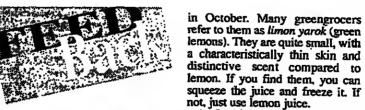
Beat 1/4 cup margarine, granulated sugar, honey and egg at medium speed of a mixer until thick and fluffy. Combine flour and next 5 ingredients (flour through nutmeg) in a bowl. Add flour mixture to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with flour mixture; beat well after each addition. Stir in rind and vanilla. Pour batter over pineapple slices. Bake cake at 175° for 35 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 5 minutes on a wire rack. Loosen cake from sides of pan using a narrow metal spatula. Invert onto a cake plate and cut into wedges. Serve warm. (Serves 10.)

CRANBERRY-APPLE TART Native Americans introduced Pilgrims to the cranberry. Colonial cooks paired the tart find

fryon're a pótato lover, you'll love the new marfona strain of Loomocs that just was intro-duced to the Israell marker (The seeds are from Holland) "Rich in tiste, they have a thin. Histoiden meetings, or what you skin, which means that they don't ... they when you want to squirm have to be pecked (and shouldn't be pecked anyway). They are sold in three sizes (large, medium and siteal) and are uniform in size and Shape, which makes them partic-blarly, attractive, for cooking whole. Another advantage: they don't fall apart during cooking like regular potatoes. Marfolia potatoes are sold in 3 kg. cardhoard boxes. The grower suggests them for microwave and oven use, but not for making chips. Except for March through April, they'll be available year. round. Price: NIS 4.90 per kg.

A CALL AND A

New Elite cakes. My dear friend Victor Perry used to say, "For people who like



By PHYLLIS GLAZER

We have several questions. First about limes. No one I've spoken to either knows what they are or has ever seen one here. Since we lived in South America for a number of years, this is a vital flavoring. If there aren't limes, is there something

Also, for high-quality wheat products, do you know if you can buy them directly from Harduf or any other source? We also need a source for (flour)

My husband is worried about the health quality since there is so much dumping, especially off the coast of Haifa.

Limes are available here, but they have a very short season which begins at the end of summer or beginning of September and ends

of the local brands made with like" That is a good description chocolate substitutes don't even of Elite's new line of cakes. The wild fruit and apricot rolls and the taste good if you're over eight years old. chocolate-chip banana cake But if you just gotta have it. remaind one of the kind of overly Pralimuta : Chocolate/hazehut sweelehed cakes served at PTA or ; spread is the way to go. You have Histochat meetings, or what you to eat a whopping 50 gr. just to get 2.2 gr. of protein and only 18 your way out of sending a home-made cake to your child's school. They are not however, what you gr. of fat. But at least it will taste good. Phus. except for vanillin (a'

would want to serve to anyone you really care about. The ingre-ments are not the worst you could ingest, but I'd rather do without some of the additives, Price: NIS 12.90 for the wild fruit and apri-

cot rolls; NIS 10.90 for the There are not many positive things you can say about choco-. late spread, since it basically does nothing but add fat and sugar to the diet. Most of the time it also is age (350 gr.) conveniently is dividslathered on regular white bread. ed into four inner packages to which is low in nutritional value. insure freshness. Price: NIS 7.95.

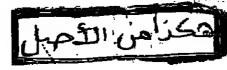
There are dozens of factors that determine the answer to your question, including the size of the pieces, the method of cooking, the degree of heat and whether the vegetables are cooked with an acid (like tomatoes or lemon juice), which lengthen the cooking time. I like to steam vegetaucts, which I assume you want to bles since this helps retain their be whole-wheat products since nutrients most effectively. I also like my vegetable crisp-tender, ber that if you want to buy them which is a matter of personal preffrom the company you usually have to buy in bulk. For more speerence.

Why do recipes always tell you to add the garlic after first sauteing the onion? I like to do things quickly and throw them in at the same time. Does it really matter?

– Sarah Sternberg, Haifa

Onions require a longer sauteing time than garlic, so if you add check if its fish is available at a them together you'll probably store near you. If not, perhaps it burn the garlic before the onions can suggest another source. Since are really done. Burned garlic will there was sewage dumping in the add a bitter taste to your finished product, while insufficiently cooked onions will add a raw taste.

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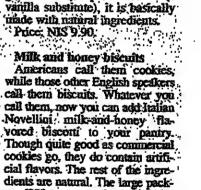
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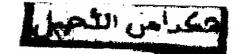
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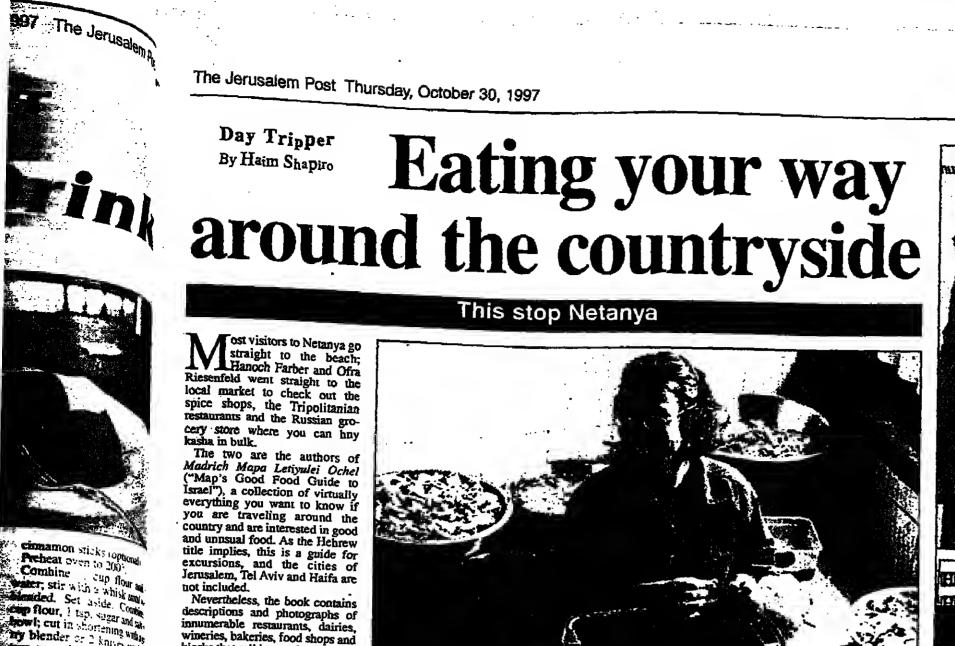
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descriptions and photographs of innumerable restaurants, dairies, wineries, bakeries, food shops and kiosks that sell interesting items in towns, countless Arab villages and at roadside stands. The only problem with the book

is that it's too beautiful to keep in the car and too useful to leave on your coffee table. To introduce me to the book,

Farber and Riesenfeld took me on a tour of Netanya, a city which, as they'd promised, held many pleasant surprises.

We started out at Chacho, a Tripolitanian restaurant in the local market at 10 Rehov Shaham, which received their special recommendation. From the outside, Chacho looks like most other inexpensive Middle Eastern restaurants, hut as yon walk inside, there is a hint that something special is going on: namely, a row of kerosene cooking stoves providing a perfect low, constant

heat. We feasted on stuffed intestine, a humoas soup with meat, sublime stuffed potatoes, beans with pumpkin squash, and the Lihyan version of khreime (fish in a hot sauce), along with couscous, cabbage salad, home-pickled vegeta-

> sauce. When we finished we crossed Rehov Weizmann, one of restaurant is only open between Netanya's main business streets, to take a look at Tripolitanian

hles and two kinds of hot pepper



The kitchen at Chacho, an inexpensive Middle Eastern restaurant with its own special flair; (right) Tripolitanian Burekas, which doesn't sell burekas at all, but rather the Libyan version of the pastry.

Libyan version of brik, a light fried pastry filled with potato or egg. The shop also sells packages of the pastry leaves, which are suitable for anything from burekas to egg rolls.

We continued on to the nearby Rehov Sha'ar Ha'emek where on one side of the street we saw refuge into a swinging nightspot, Mifgash Sha'ar Hanegev, an ordiwith an orchestra and dancing. It nary little place which serves up is on those nights that guests extraordinary humous. Since the indulge in caviar and smoked sturgeon. For daily fare, the 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., it was already things that are especially good are closing, so we crossed the street

a doorway decorated in red and Samovar we stopped for a quick descended into Samovar, a look at the Russian Bakery. This Russian restaurant with a decor of is, in fact, a grocery store which mirrors, dolls and hundreds of sells half a dozen different types bottles, instantly transporting you of black bread, mineral water imported from Georgia, vodka, into another world. On weekends, soft drinks, plastic tumhlers and of course, kasha by the kilo. my guides told me, the restaurant is transformed from a quiet

Farber and Riesenfeld were all for taking me to yet another Tripolitanian restaurant, just a few kilometers down the road, hut hy then 1'd had enough. There is just so much gastronomic touring I can do without cas-



Burekas, a shop that doesn't sell to have a look at the Tunisian hurekas at all, but rather the Sandwich. Instead, we discovered

the piroshki and other pastrywrapped delicacies. ing, and I couldn't manage About a block down from the another hite.

Close Engounters By Allan Rabinowitz

A visit to where Israel was born

Cynical about the state's direction? Visit Independence Hall in Tel Aviv and get reminded of how it all began

declared on May 14, 1948, L in the simple yet elegant stucco building that then housed the Tel Aviv Art Museum. Outside the building, Rothschild Blvd. is full of traffic and garbage. But inside Independence Hall - as it is now called - you can be carried to that moment Israel was created. It is easy to forget today that, despite the UN resolution of November 1947 calling for a Jewish state in a partitioned Palestine, the creation of that state was far from certain as the British Mandate ended in May 1948, and almost did not happen.

In the increasingly tense weeks preceding British withdrawal, many nations displayed little support for the very resolution they had passed. Undeclared war, raging sporadically since December, had become increasingly intense and open as the British began pulling out, with all-out war expected to explode as the Union. Jack was lowered. The United States was spearheading an effort for a trace and possible UN trusteeship, though there were tain invasion. splits within the Truman adminis- With the die tration over this. On May 12, Jewish leaders gath-

5 ered in Tel Aviv to face the question of whether to declare statehood two days later, when the British left, or to wait until some foture date as the US was urging indeed, demanding - under her proposed truce plan. Faced with the specter of both military siege and possible thiplomatic isolation. the Jewish leadership was huried

into a crisis. The dilemma deeply split the National Council of Thirteen, the governing body under David Ben-Gurion. On the one hand, delay might offer a chance to strengthen Jewish defenses, with an American-backed truce defusing the threat of all-out Arab invasion. rapidly scribhled invitations were

The State of Israel was And the Jews had recently captured vital areas, including Tiberias, Haifa, Acre, Jaffa and Safed. In Jerusalem, Arab forces had been driven from some suburbs.

Moreover, Jerusalem's 100.000 Jews remained under siege and were threatened with starvation. and the Etzion settlement bloc testered on collapse (in the end, it fell before statehood was declared). The Jewish front had no depth, desert settlements were isolated, the Judean hills were under Arab control and the Jewish forces had no reserves, and little weaponry and ammunition.

Bnt Ben-Gurion insisted that the future political situation was volatile and unpredictable, that a state could more easily acquire weapons, that military victory was possible and, most vitally, that this window of opportunity might not

recur. So by a vote of six to four, the armistice proposal was rejected; Jewish statchood would be declared. Accompanying the excitement, the sense of destiny and history, was the dread of cer-

With the die cast, less than 48 hours remained to prepare a ceremony. The ceremony was supposed to be secret - one well-placed bomb could wipe out the entire Jewish leadership of Palestine and held in the art museum because it was fairly small.

Interestingly, the city of Tel Aviv and State of Israel thus shared a birthplace. In 1909, 66 families gathered on a sand dune to divide up the lots of what became Tel Aviv. Meir Dizengoff, the civic leader who later became the city's first mayor, built his home on that dune, and after the death of his wife he turned it into the city's art museum.

HIGH DRAMA was now laced with chaotic comedy. The 350 secretly dispatched, yet hy the morning of the declaration, even a Japanese paper had announced the event.

Arrangements were as sparsely and hastily made as the bunting across the ceremonial table. A dusty portrait of Theodor Herzl was dragged up from a basement, and two huge Zionist flags were found but were so filthy they had to be laundered. The chairs were borrowed from cafes, the microphone from an appliance store, with its name attached and visible. Two thousand years of exile were ending with a bargain-basement celebration.

Squabhles then ensued over every aspect of the independence declaration, such whether to cite borders, the use of God's name, and the very name of the state. In Washington, Jewish Agency officials submitting a formal request for recognition of the new state did not know what name to use.

A parchment suitable for the historic document was found, with difficulty. But Ben-Gurion rewrote the entire text the night before the ceremony, and the final typed draft was approved with only two hours left - not enough time for the parchment to be inscribed.

The scramhling lasted until, at 4 p.m., Ben-Gurion banged his gavel to open the proceedings. Then the power of the event took over. A crowd surrounded the "secret" location. People around Palestine huddled around their radios, except in Jerusalem, where the daily bornbardment of Jewish neighborhoods cut off the broadcast.

TODAY, IN the main hall of the house - where Ben-Gurion sat backed hy Herzl's portrait - you can hear the recording of his controlled monotone reading out the charter for the new state. You can picture the National Council on



Today in Independence Hall you can picture the National Council signing the Declaration of Independence and imagine their ecstasy as well as dread. (Seated, from left to right): David Ben-Gurion, Golda Meir and Moshe Sharett. (Government Press Office)

the dais (the table is a replica, but the chairs behind it, and the dais and its carpet, are the originals), wondering with ecstasy, awe and dread what this gesture would hring upon the Jewish people. When the new Jewish state, "to be called the State of Israel," was proclaimed, the audience rose and burst into applause. The Sheheheyanu hlessing was recited. "My eyes filled with tears." Golda Meir later wrote, "and my

hands shook. We had done it Whstever price any of us would have to pay for it, we had recreated the Jewish national home." The council members solemnly

signed the blank parchment scroll - the text had to be inscribed later. You can hear the taut emotion squeezed into every note of the its way to age 50. But a visit to recording of "Hatikva." as sung and played by the Israel Independence Hall will remind Philharmonic Orchestra. When you how wondrous it was that it the last strains faded, Ben-Gurion came into being at all. said, "The State of Israel has arisen. This session is closed," and then banged the gavel.

2,000 years of Jewish exile, the The crowds outside broke into Zionist movement and struggle for song and dance. The US stunned Palestine, and the blooming of Tel both Israel and the UN with its Aviv. immediate recognition of the new Independence Hall is located at state. By the next morning, Arab 16 Rothschild Blvd., Tel Aviv, tel. armies were invading and the (03) 517-3942. It is open Sun-Egyptian Air Force was bombing Thurs, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on

Tel Aviv.

A glance at current headlines might numb you into cynicism as

Israel stumbles, bleeds and argues

There is a movie with some fas-

Fridays by prior arrangement. From the Central Bus Station, take the No. 4 hus to Allenby St. and Rothschild, then walk two blocks, There is an admission fee. For groups of 20 or more, the fee includes a guide,

It might pay to go with a group, since the excellent guiding will help bring alive that moment of Israel's birth. Individual visitors cinating, rare footage that traces browsing through the simple, stark exhibits and photographs outlining the struggle for the state might have to work harder to recreate the sense of drama and history. Allan Rabinowitz is a licensed

tour guide.

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Bridg Israeli Ladies stay home

By MATTHEW GRANOVETTER

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Opening lead: #A

Last spriog at the European Championships the Israeli Ladies Team qualified for a berth in the Venice Cup (the world bridge team championships for women), which is taking place this week in Tunisia. But at the last minute, the team did not go because of security problems, Tunisian and Israeli, officials were not able to agree on security for the Israeli Ladies Team, and the team was required to stay bome by the Israeli Ministry of Education and Sports. According to the team's captain, Tunisian officials agreed to equal security for all teams, which meant oothing special for Israel. But previous locales for championships have also giveo players problems. South African and Taiwanese teams used to have . political problems attending tournaments in certain countries and sometimes attended under pseudonyms. Last year's tournament m Rhodes, Greece, was a financial burden for a number of countries. The main complaint of many

teams is that when a tournament is held "off the beaten path," it is difficult, time- and money-wise, to send a team. There is no doubt that world championships should be in major cities or outskirts of cities where one plane ride gets you there from any other metropolis in the world.

If you've never been to a world championship as a spectator, you should consider the idea for a vacation. They are exciting affairs and you get to hobnob with many interesting, well-known players. The main events are shown in a VuGraph theater with the fourhand diagram on a huge movie screen, while expert commentators describe the action.

This week's deal is a good example of the excitement gener-

championships in Miami Beach, Florida. The bidding was the Roman Club System, used by one of the famous partnerships from the Italian Blue Team. North's one club showed an average opening bid, and South's two spades was forcing to game. Against four spades. West. Norman Kay, playing for the US, led his singleton ace of diamonds and switched to a heart. Edgar Kaplan, sitting East, won the second trick with the ace of hearts and paused to study the situation.

Meanwhile, the VuGraph audience was on the edge of their seats. They could see that the only return to defeat the contract was a diamond. West would ruff the diamond return and still score the king of spades for the setting trick. But it was difficult for East to return a diamond because be held the queen doubleton at this point, and it lonked like the queen would be a trick for the defense if East simply stayed away from the suit. Nevertheless, if East returned a beart, declarer would win the king and make his contract by discarding two diamood losers oo dummy's queen of bearts and a high club. After some thought, Kaplan did return a diamond, to the cheers of the American audience.

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ated on VuGraph. It was played at the 1967 world

The mix-and-match grab bag

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

conscious they were a welcome relief. At last it

was possible to parade some of the new sea-

The first signs of winter may oot have pleased everyooe, bot to the truly fashioo

An excellent endgame

By NIGEL SHORT

Chess

The highly gifted teenager Luke McShane has beeo made the British Chess Federation Player of the Year. Fortunately, the highly politicized and profoundly biased voting that has marred some of the previous awards has been largely absect and this time, at least, we have a worthy winner. At 13, Luke is easily the youngest recipient of the award and the first non-grandmaster. Already an international master, he is ably coached by both Daniel King and Jon Speelman - a considerable improvement over the not-too-distant days when the development of talent was more or less left to chance.

In the following game against the top English woman, Susan Lalic, McShane shows some of his considerable skills as well as an odd, rough edge. Overall, though, it was a good performance.

White: McShane Black: Lalic

London, 1997 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5. Nxf6+gxf6 6. Nf3. This has been played numerous

times but I believe it is more accu-rate to delay the knight's development until the cS bishop has com-mitted himself eg 6. c3 Bf5 and only then 7.Nf3 6....Bg4 7 c3 e6 8.Bd3 Bd6. Slightly premature. 8....Nd7 or a queen move (8. ...Od5!?) look more to the point. 9.h3 Bh5 10.g4. Removing the troublesome cleric at the cost of weakening white's pawn structure. 10. ... Bg6 11. h4 Nd7 12. h5 Bxd3 13. Qxd3 h6? A very poor move leaving a permanent target on h6. 13....Qc7 14. Bh6 Bf8 was better. 14. Be3 Qa5 15. Nd2 0-0-0 16. Nc4 Qd5 17. Nxd6+ Qxd6 18. 0-0-0 Qd5 19. c4 Qf3. Recognizing her structural inferiority, Susan correctly strives for counterplay. 20, Qa3 Nb6 21, b3 Kb8 22. Rhg1 f5 23. gxf5 Qxf5 24. Qc5! Nicely centralizing the queen which can hardly be exchanged in view of the vulnerable h6 pawn. 24. ...QI3 25. Qe5+ Ka8 26. Qa5 Nc8 27. Rg3 Qf6 28. Qe5 28.

Rdg1 looks more-purposeful. 28....Qe7 29. c5. A highly committed decision but not entirely without merit. The black knight is prevented from coming to f5: 29.f6 30. Qc4 c5 31. dxe5 Rxd1+ 32. Kad1 Rd8+ 33. Ke2 fae5 34. Kf1 **Axd1 Rd8+ 33. Ke2 Ixe5 34. Kf1** 34. Bxh6 directly would have been well worth considering but both sides were already in time-trouble. 34. ...Qe6 35. Qc4 Qf5 36. Qg4 Qd3+ 37. Kg2 Qd5+ 38. Qf3 Ne7 39. Qxd5. Finally, the usenes are exchanged 39. crd5 queens are exchanged. 39. ...cxd5 40. Bxh6 Nf5.



41. Bg5 Nxg3. If instead 41. ...Rg8 42. Rg4 Nh6 43. Kh3 Nxg4 44. Kxg4 d4 45. b6 d3 46. Kh5 wins. 42. Bxd8 Nxh5 43. Bc71 Nf4+ 44. Kf3 Nd3 45. Bd6. Material is even, but the knight is no match for white's mighty bishop. Note how the black king is totally cut of from the action. 45.d4 46. Ke2 e4 47. f4! Nb4 48. f5 d3+ 49. Kd2 a6 50. Be5 Nc6 51. Bf4 b5 52. f6 Nd8 53. c6! The crushing blow. Obviously the pawn is untoucbable. 53. ...Nf7 54. Ke3 d2 55. Kxd2 Ka7 56. Ke3 Kb6 57. c7 Black resigned. An excellent endgame.

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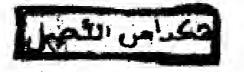




(Clockwise from top left): Any outfit can be made more funky with textured, colored tights by Fogal; a colored blazer over a dark sweater by Dan Casidi makes an amazing, wintry ensemble: a three-piece suit by OuiSet is a staple for mixing and matching; strictly tailored styles give way this season to comfort, as can be seen in the oversize coats of Max Mara.

soo's acquisitions without feeling hot and breaking out in perspiration. Because ensemble dressing is so much a part of the current trend, it's very easy to switch from casual to formal and back again by changing only one garment (and perhaps one's shoes) in mix-and-match combinations. A ribbed or cable-knit sweater worn with a suit will give the outfit a very sporty look, but once the sweater is removed and the jacket fastened and belted, the effect can become instantly formal. Alternatively, remove a formal jacket from a skirt or a pair of slacks, don a casual sweater or tunic and immediately create a sporty image. The mix-and-match grab bag includes textured and colored tights, cat suits and hose, the most com-prehensive selection of which is available at Fogal in Tel Aviv's Kikar Hamedina. The Fogal color chart includes over 90 colors and shades in sheers and opaques plus checks, stripes, ribs, fishnet and lace. The profusion of zippered garments in the new season's collections adds fun and excitement to fashion play. A little tug and pull can do wonders. Take for instance the zippered polo shirt, a very handy unisex garment, which when fully closed resembles a lightweight turtleneck sweater, and when opened can be quite sexy and provoca-tive depending on how far you go and what you may or may not be wearing underneath. Zippered cardigans, zippered pile jackets and zippered leather jackets are also back in vogue with zippers occasiooally acting as a means of letting Ser les out or taking in the seams without having to resort to ۲. scissors, needle and thread. Basic blacks, inky blues, steely grays, coffee browns and mannish tweeds are invariably part of the winter scene, but tempered this year with vibrant greens, cheery honey tones, the full red-wine palette and bold shades of purple, tangerine, turquoise and lemon. It's amazing what a colored blouse or sweater can do for a dark suit. Even more effective is a colored blazer over a dark sweater and pants. If you need convincing, take a look at Next, Dan Casidi, Miss Lagotte and OuiSet. To be reasonably well-dressed this winter all you need are two three-piece suits, one bright and ... one dark, plus two contrasting, sweaters and blouses. Play your options right and you'll have enough variety to create a different lonk every day for a month. Although we're back to classics, the strictly tailored versions of the past have given way to a more relaxed, comfortable ambience, most visible in the Max Mara lines where oversize coats and longer skirt lengths emphasize that comfort is no less important than élan.





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about e man who puts on slide shows at

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With Gal Zayd, Eli Yatzpan and Menashe

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HELEN KAYE

The Jerusalem Pog

Last two chances to see the NIO production of The Marriage of Figaro. Musically it's pleasant. The staging, a total yawn in the first half, gets crisp and energetic in the secood. Best of all, there's Mozart's glorious music and Da Ponte's witty libretto to make a fun evening. Mark Barrard's Figaro, Delphine Haidan as Cherubino, suave William Shimmell as the count, and Michal Shamir's tender contessa deserve special mention. Tonight and Saturday at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. (Italian with Hebrew supertitles).

And then there's La Boheme. Beg unashamedly for a ticket. Daniel Oreo conducting and Nuccia Focile singing Mimi are worth every second. Roberto Aronica will be a wonderful Rodolfo some day. Right now he has the passion and the musicality, but the voice is still a little unripe. Zefirelli's direction is a little florid, but it is oh, so elive. Oren's conducting lets you inhale the music, absorb it like necessary air. He's on the podium only until November 3. Tomorrow at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center at 1 p.m. (Italian with Hebrew supertitles).

ENGLISH THEATER HELEN KAYE

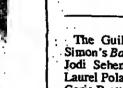
Pianist Christiane Frucht, violinist Potrick The Guild Theater production of Neil Simon's Barefoot in the Park is directed by McDermott and cellist Joel Marosi make their Jodi Schenk and stars Rob Schenk and local debut tomorrow. Laurel Polansky as newly married Paul and Corie Bratter, who discover that life in a fourthfloor New York walk-up isn't as romantic as they thought. And theo there's mother (Pnina Isseroff), 100. Saturday night at Yad Lebanim, Ra'anana, at 8:30.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

Pianist Christiane Frucht, violinist Patrick McDermott and cellist Joel Marosi met four years ago in Israel. Since then, they have inaugurated the Zurich Quartet and will make their others.

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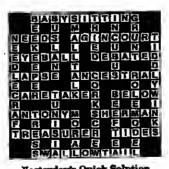
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Mordechai, Sharon oppose primaries' vote

By SARAH HONIG

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Two of the Likud's leading ministers -Defeose Minister Yitzhak Mordechai and National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon - yesterday asked Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to make sure the issue of the party's primaries does not come up for a vote by the November 9 Likud convention. A similar call came from 10 Likud mayors yes-

The issue is still causing great turmoil in the Likud, which is rife with rumor that Prime Minister's Office Director-General Avigdor Lieberman is orchestrating efforts to dump the primaries to give Netanyahu greater control over who becomes a Likud MK.

Netanyahu heard the two ministers out, but did not commit bimself. The official word from his hureau is that he still has not made up his mind on the matter. However, the fact that such polit-

ical beavyweights as Sharoo and Mordechai have spoken out is expected to increase pressure on Netanyahn to back down.

Health Minister Yehoshua Matza, a Netanyahu loyalist, hinted broadly a few days ago that at the last moment Netanyahu will see to it that the issue does not come up for a vote.

The convention is to discuss a proposal by MK Uzi Landau to drop the pri-maries for MKs, but keep them for prime minister and mayoral candidates. The 10 mayors met in Ra'anana at the. office of Mayor Ze'ev Bielski, who called on the prime minister to "opt for compromise rather than confrontation. There is no rusb for the party to take a stand on the primaries issue at this juncture.

The mayors (also from Jerusalem, Tel Aviv. Bat Yam, Ramat Gan, Petah Tikva, Hadera, Ashdod, Ramle and Ness Ziona) recommended that Netanyahu appoint

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Landau to head a committee to come up with a compromise, "which would take into account the shortcomings of the primaries system, but will not return the party to the elections via the central committee."

Landau is known to favor a system that would put the choice in the hands of a special forum of some 10,000 electors, instead of leaving the clout with the 2,700-member central committee or the 200.000 party members.

MKs call for probe of Raviv

By LIAT COLINS

A group of MKs is asking Justice Minister Tzahi Hanegbi to investigate Avishai Raviv, codenamed "Champagne," who apparently worked for the General Security Service at the same time he was involved in right-wing organiza-tions which spearbeaded the incitement that preceded the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin.

Three MKs - Benny Elon (Moledet), Ze'ev Boim (Likud) and Hanan Porat (National Religious Party) - have signed the petition to Hanegbi and others are expected to join them, including Science Minister Michael Eitan. Eitan has called for Raviv to he brought to trial for incitement and anti-Arab activities.

In a letter the three wrote yesterday, they refer to an interview with Raviv scheduled to appear in tomorrow's Yediot Aharanot. According to a "teaser" excerpt, Raviv told the paper the extremist right-wing parties in Israel are like the neo-Nazi parties in Germany. "Among other things, 1 would like to know is he speaking as a GSS agent or as a private individ-

ual and was there someone who told him what to say?" Elon asked yesterday. "Does he still enjoy privileges as a GSS agent while continuing to taint the image of the right-wing camp?

"Since the change in governmeot, the public has not been aware of any actions taken by the government to clarify allegations that Raviv was acting in the capacity of a GSS agent when he established the right-wing extremist organization known as Eyal," Elon

Eion called upon Hanegbi to verify whether or not Raviv was in

fact a GSS agent and if so whether he worked as an agent provocateur with the approval or on the orders of his handlers.

"Should the allegations prove correct, then the GSS has acted in a manner contrary to acceptable democratic norms, as a direct result of Raviv's incitant activities," the MKs wrote in the letter. "Even if it is concluded that Raviv's activities did not have a direct or indirect effect on the assassination of the late prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, they definitely did affect the image of the

entire right-wing community." Elon said the justice minister is obliged to examine the whole issue "and see whether steps are being taken today to ensure that in no Israeli government - on the Right or Left - this type of exploitation

of the GSS will he repeated." Eitan has said in the past that among the questions which must be investigated is why Raviv has been allowed to go free, without even standing trial, for his role in racist and seditious activities; where he now works and who pays him

Yesterday, Labor filed a no-confidence motion in Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu for what it called "the ongoing incitement hy Netanyahu against the Israeli Left. on the second anniversary of the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin."

Labor whip Ra'anan Cohen noted the motion would be heard on Monday, almost two years to the day since the assassination. He called on Netanyahu to "apologize to the people for his inflammatory way and to act to unite Israeli sociery, instead of continuing with the wild incitement against the opposition and large sectors of the Israeli population."



Promoting understanding

A religious and a secular Jew pose in front of a bus poster advertising a campaign launched yesterday by the Gesher Foundation, which promotes understanding between religious and secular. Gesher also is sponsoring a national day of dialogue between sec-ular and observant pupils on November 9 to mark the second anniversary of the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin. (Roni Ne'cman) 210 **AROUND THE WORLD** LOW HIGH rain clear pictoria disar disar disar disar pictoria disar pictoria disar cleari pictoria cleari clear 2899236838288388888888

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Winning cards

In yesterday's first daily Chance drawing, the winning cards were the jack of clubs, the 9 of hearts, the ace of diamonds, and the jack of spades.

In the second daily Chance drawing, the winning cards were the 10 of clubs, the 9 of hearts, the king of diamonds, and the 7 of spades.

Poll: Hundreds of thousands justify political assassination

By MICHAL YUDELMAN

Some 300,000 Israeli Jews can justify and support assassination of political leaders, researchers said, extrapolating from the results of a poll of Israeli Jewish adults that was released yesterday. Up to 1,000 people might be willing to do the deed themselves, the

University ethics Prof. Asa Kasher. he sowed before becoming prime 'It's a grave danger of which society should he warned."

The survey indicates there are three "circles" comprising the social network of Israeli Jews who support, encourage and intend to carry out the murder of leaders who either support or might implement a policy of returning tories as part of a peace agree-

minister, for there is oo doubt he was part of sowing that bad wind which ultimately led to Rabin's murder. The threats are not new to me, I've beeo living like this for many years, but maybe now that he is being threatened, Netanyahu feels what Rabin did at the time.

"The hand which held the gun [which killed Rabin] may be tied believe assassin Yigal Amir's goal believe he achieved that, compared to 52.2% who think he did-n't. was to stop the peace process and change the government; 47.8%



of WWII accounts

Swiss release new lists

By MARKYN HENRY

NEW YORK - Swiss banks yesterday released a new list of 14,000 dormant World War II-era accounts, worth about \$12.4 million, which brings to \$54 million the total found in unclaimed accounts over the past two years. In July, the Swiss Bankers Association published a list of 1,872 names of foreigners who had unclaimed accounts from the Holocaust-era. Those names were published in newspaper ads worldwide and on the Internet. The available lists now include non-Swiss accounts as well as dormant accounts that were opened by Swiss nationals, which contain about \$70 or more. Yesterday's list may include the names of Swiss lawyers or others who acted as financial agents for the Jews in Europe.

Information on the lists and claims is available on the Internet at http://www.dormantaccounts.ch.

About 30,000 people have made inquiries about the first list, and more than 10 percent of them have filed claims, according to the SBA. A claims arbitration panel has been set np hy the Volcker Committee, a joint SBA-World Jewish Congress panel, headed by former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, that is overseeing a forensic audit of the banks' unclaimed accounts.

"The lists are a fraud," said Gizella Weisshaus of New York, who last October filed a \$20 billion class-action suit against the banks

in US District Court. Weisshaus is seeking the Swiss bank account she says was opened by her father, Eugen Stern of Sighet, Romania. His name has not appeared on any list

The Volcker Committee did not have the best interests of Holocaust survivors at heart, she told the Associated Press. "We don't need Paul Volcker. We don't need the World Jewish Congress." The July list proved to be an embarrassment for the bankers because it revealed, at a glance, accounts from several well-known existing European businesses, demonstrating that the banks were not aggressive in tracking down customers. It also included names that matched those of known Nazis.

I have not found a fig leaf hig enough to cover up the negligence of my colleagues in the banks since the war," the SBA president, Georg [CQ] Krayer, told reporters in Zurich when the July list was made public.

The new list has been checked against a roster of Nazis provided by The Simon Wiesenthal Center and "steps have been taken that in no case will criminal assets he paid out," the SBA said. The bankers have uncovered another \$690,000 in some 64,000 dormant accounts, with balances of less than \$70, belonging to Swiss nationals. The banks said they will contribute an equivalent amount to an international charity aiding needy children.

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is the most likely victim of an assassination attempt, according to the poll conducted by Shvakim Panorama for Israel Radio in an attempt to assess the number of "political murderers" in Israel today. Meretz leader Yossi Sarid came in second oo the potential victims' list, followed by former Labor leader Shimon Peres, Labor leader Ehud Barak and former Meretz leader Shulamit Aloni. "The Israeli public accepts the possibility that one Jew can assassinate another for political reasons as an inseparable part of the 'new' Israeli norm," concludes Shvakim Panorama director Yossi Vadana.

"They did well to conduct and publish this survey," said Tel Aviv

ment with the Palestinians.

The first circlo encompasses more than 300,000 adults, who justify and are willing to give backing to the assassin, according to the researchers. The second encombasses some 180,000 who support harming a prime minister who might return land for peace and justify Yitzhak Rabin's murder. The third circle, deemed most dangerous hy Vadana, numbers 45,000 people who openly support political murder.

In response to the survey results, Sarid said he feels "a fratemity of the threatened," with Netanyahu, adding, "but that's the only closeness I feel regarding him."

He noted "Netanyahu is now reaping the whirlwind of the storm

today," Sarid said, "but those who marked him as the target are still roaming free."

He said he was referring to "a considerable group, including very important people, who prepared the ground and the hearts for the most terrible and dangerous crime in the state's history."

Sarid stressed that both his and Netanyahu's lives are threatened by the same people: "It's a group of extreme right-wing nationalists. There is no threat on the prime minister from the Left."

Sixty-two percent of those polled said they think Netanyahu should apologize for his public conduct before Rabin's murder, while 38% think he shouldn't.

Meanwhile, 89.9% said they

Historic Vatican antisemitism symposium opening today

By LISA PALMIERI-BILLIG

VATICAN CITY - For the first time in history, the Roman Catholic Church is doing some official sonl-searching on its responsibility for 2,000 years of Christian antisemitism. A four-day Vatican sympo-sium on "The Christian Roots of Antisemitism" starts here today.

More than 60 Christian experts oo Christian-Jewish relations are attending, including members of the Vatican International Theology Committee.

Inioated by the pope as part of the process leading to a Catholic "teshuvah" in 2000, the symposium will be followed next year by another on "The Inquisitions."

Because of its inner-Christian nature.

only Christians bave been invited to the symposium. Papers on prohlematic New Testament texts as the "roots" of Christian antisemitism will he discussed, along with anti-Jewish stereotypes through the centuries.

Father Georges Cottier, presideot of the Vatican Commission and the pope's personal theologian, and Cardinal Roger Etchegaray will make the concluding

remarks on Saturday. Sessions are closed, but the proceedings will he published. Most important, the conclusions will be submitted to the pope. who "will proceed as be feels fit," said Cottier.

Further research and a papal statement on Christian antisemitism are held most

probable. This initiative would be separate support to the pope's initiatives, such as from the long promised Vatican document on "The Shoah: The Historical Background of Antisemitism and Its Contemporary Manifestations."

According to reports, this document is complete and awaiting the green light from the higher echelons, where it has met with resistance. Some of the experts who worked on the final draft are attending the symposium, and are expected to push for

the document's publication. Observers note the tension in sections of the Catholic hierarchy, who are frightened by the pope's determination to lead the church in a purification process and a wide-reaching "mea culpa" for vast areas of past church history. Others give strong

the influential Catholic magazine, Jesus, which dedicated its current issue to a thick dossier on "The Roots of Hate: Christians and Antisemitism."

It includes an interview with Shimon Samuels of the Simon Wiesenthal Center. following Tuesday's poblication of his accusatory "Letter to the Pope," demand-ing the opening of the Vatican's World War II archives and listing a long series of grievances against the church and four proposals for action.

Vatican circles, which never respond officially to the media, seemed taken aback oot so much by the contents as by the style of Samuel's letter, which contained oot a single positive remark.

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OC Navy: Commandos continue to fight despite loss

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By ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

In his first public reaction since the failed commando raid in Lebanon and the subsequent inquiry, OC Navy Adm. Alex Tal said yestenday that the unit took a tough blow, but like a trained boxer, we stayed on our feet."

Speaking off the Lebanese coast aboard the corvette Hanit, Tal said the navy is not seeking revenge, but continues to operate in Lebanon.

"Not all the terrorist leaders or targets we want to hit have disappeared," he said. "Shayetet 13 will continue to do its job. The same fighters, the same unit will have to deal with the same targets. The time will come when we will chose the right time, the right method and the right approach in the end.

He said the navy accepted the recommen-

dations of the Ophir Committee and is implementing them, even though the committee didn't give all the answers as to what happened on September 4, when 11 naval commandos and a military doctor were killed during a failed raid in south Lebanon. The committee, headed by Maj.-Gen. Gabi Ophir, made numerous operational and intelligence recommendations, but

these remain classified. "You have to remember that the inquiry said that there was nothing in what they did which had any link to the difficult results of the operation. You can't let them carry that

on their conscience," Tal said. According to Tal, Shayetet 13 returned to active duty immediately after the funerals. He said that some members of the unit who had ended their service and had their rucksacks packed for trips abroad canceled their plans and returned to combat duty.

As Tal spoke to reporters, the navy con-tinued with its round-the-clock efforts to halt terrorist infiltrations from the sea. A Dabur patrol boat zoomed past heading toward Tyre.

Amal, Tal said, had earlier this year attempted a suicide attack on a Dabur. The boat blew the Amal vessel up with its cannon hefore it got too close.

The navy has also recently installed its own land-based radar south of Tyre. The servicemen there have recently been the target of repeated attacks, Tal said.

The navy is in the midst of a modernizaoon plan. It has upgraded its Sa'ar 4 and 4.5 class missile boats. Three larger Sa'ar 5 corvettes are getting the last of their advanced electronic weapon systems, and the navy expects to receive the first of the three diesel-powered Dolphin-class submarines from Germany next year.

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Tal noted that Egypt has made great strides in closing the qualitative gap with Israel. "It is no secret that Egypt's navy has changed its face, increased its capabilities, and is a real challenge to us," he said. He added that Egypt's Western weaponry, like the Harpoon and-ship missile, is more

advanced than the ones in the service of our own Navy. He said that the Egyptian navy had recently acquired 10 helicopters, giving it unprecedented over the horizon capabili-

ty. Tal said that so far the Egyptians have balked at an Israeli invitation to send an observer to the joint sea and rescue maneuvers scheduled to be held in January hy Israel, Turkey, and the US.

In other navy news, the search for the missing Dakar submarine is set to resume in March, with the assistance of the US Navy, Tal said. -



Sailors move off after tying down an Atalef helicopter on the fantail of the Sa'ar 5 corvette 'Hanit' yesterday. (IDF Spokesman)

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